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Plymouth, March 15.

THe *Alapin*, a Privateer so called, hath sent in hither a Vessel supposed by him to be prize, Laden with Brandy, but pretending to belong to *Stockholm*, and bound for *Hambourg*.

Deal, March 17. A Holland Vessel bound for *Nantes*, and enable because of her lightness to bear sail, was lately driven upon the *Goodwin*, and from thence recovered by some persons of this place, who have brought her into the *Downs*, where they are putting in Ballast, to enable her the better to endure the Sea.

Madrid, Febr. 26. We are here informed, that an Advice Ship in her return from *New Spain*, having aboard her a large quantity of Chocolate to a very considerable value, besides other Lading, fell into the hands of an *Algier* Corsair, by whom she was made prize. We are also confidently told of the Death of the Vice-Roy of *New Spain*, which, if true, speedy order will be taken for a Successour. *Don Juan* is by her Majesties permission arrived here *intognito*.

The Council upon considerations of the preparations of our Neighbours, and the present posture of Affairs, are taking care for their Frontiers to avoid surprize; and have ordered, besides the Foot raised in *Italy*, which are designed to be transported for *Flanders*, that 12000 Foot, and 8000 Horse shall speedily march, part of them to be sent into the *Low-Countries*, but a considerable body of them towards *Catalonia*, whither some Troops of Horse are already marching. They have likewise ordered five Millions to be returned into *Flanders*, for payment of the Forces there, and the further defence of that Country: Besides which sum, they are debating of some fit method for a Tax to be raised upon the place, and are appointing Commissioners for the establishment of it.

Vienna, March 2. His Imperial Majesty has put off his formerly intended journey for *Presburg*, for this year, upon a Remonstrance made to him by the States of *Hungary*, acquainting him with the difficulties they finde in raising of moneys, for the defraying the great expences which will be required at the Emperors Coronation, and the necessity of Convenience, that the grievances of the States, now under consideration, may be first fully examined and redressed.

Letters also from *Hungary* inform us, That upon the return of the *Chiaus* from this Court, the Visier immediately assembled his Neighbor Basso's, and other considerable Officers, with whom he held a Council, giving us no account of their resolution, but further tells us, That the Visier has given out his Orders to all places under his Government to bring in considerable quantities of Provisions and Ammunition to *Belgrade*; but upon what farther design, we yet know not.

The Marquis de *Baden* has taken his leave, and left the Court two days since, intending for *Bohemia*, and from thence to the Court of *Saxony*; before his departure, his Imperial Majesty presenting him with two excellent horses out of his own stable.

Monsieur *Serui*, a Counsellor to the Duke of *Newburgh*, is here arrived; and 'tis said, the Duke intends also in person for this Court, in pursuance of his pretensions in *Poland*, which has been already negotiated in the Court of *Warsaw*.

From *Constantinople* we are assured, That the Grand Visier in his Letters to the Sultan, has given him an ample

account of his proceedings, in order to the taking in of the City of *Candia*: From which place, he has found much more resistance than he could have imagined, and believes the siege will prove a business of great difficulty.

The Sieur *Daniel Schneider*, a Deputy from the City of *Colmar*, sent to the Diet at *Ratisbonne*, was upon his return home accused on several points by the Council, which was for some time ill resented by the Citizens; but upon a right information of his refusal, to submit to the Decree of the Council, they were sufficiently satisfied with their procedure against him, whom they suspect not to have well managed the interests of their City.

The Diet at *Ratisbonne* sit close, upon the perpetual capitulation, which is not as yet perfected, though they have made a considerable progress in it. The affairs of *Burgogne* are also under debate with the French Ministers: They are also consulting about the moneys coyned in the Empire, but are not come, as yet, to any resolution, of making the small pieces pass at the same rate in all places, which is a debate that hath given them much trouble.

The Baron *Hoyer*, the Emperors Deputy at the Diet, is sent for to give his Imperial Majesty an account of the proceedings of the Diet.

By some Letters from *Hungary* we are told, That a party of *Turks*, belonging to the Garrison of *Stulweissenburg*, in ranging up and down the Country, fell upon a party of 40 *Hussars*, whom they cruelly put to the Sword, giving quarter to none of them.

Dantzick, March 4. Letters of the 28 past from *Warsaw* advise us, That their Majesties have been both of them much indisposed, but are recovered, and past all danger. The Prince *Wiesniowski* is there arrived, who would have stood fair for the Generalship, had the report proved true of the death of *Polotski*, which is sufficiently confuted by the Archbishop, who by Letters lately received from him, is assured of his health, and intentions to be present at the ensuing Diet.

The fear of a fresh invasion from the *Turks* and *Tartars* begins to vanish, and their hopes encrease, that the approaching Diet may settle the Kingdom in peace and quietness.

Ten thousand of the *Cossacks* are certainly returned to their obedience, upon a promise made to them by his Majesty, for the defence of their Religion and Priviledges; and 'tis much hoped the rest will be induced to follow their example.

The Nobility of that Kingdom have assured his Majesty of their readines to sacrifice their lives in the defence of his Majesty and his Kingdom against all enemies whatsoever; on condition, they may be encouraged by the maintenance of their ancient priviledges.

The truce with the *Muscovites* for thirteen years, is likewise confirmed, and the 2 *Weywodschaffen* of *Potock*, and *Wisepski*, with several other places, to be given up according to agreement. The business concerning the restitution of some Castles, and the release of prisoners to be referred to another Treaty; but by this, the *Poles* and *Muscovites* are obliged by Oath, to joyn their forces for their mutual assistance and defence against the *Turks*, and all Rebels, whether *Tartars* or *Cossacks*.

Venice, March 4. Our late Letters from *Candia* assure us, that the Grand Visier going out in person with a very considerable Party of *Turks*, to take a review of his Posts, the better to form his Leaguer against the Town, was so well entreated with the Cannon, which were advantageously