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Naples, Feb. 18.

WE have an account from *Messina*, that the Governor of *Trapani* had by an Order he Published for the making of bread somewhat lighter then it was before, occasioned so great dissatisfaction among the people, that it put them into tumults and disorders, in which they went so far as to set upon and imprison their Magistrates, and several Spanish Officers, and that the Viceroy of *Sicily* having advice thereof, was gone thither with 3000 Men, to bring them back to their Duty.

Venice, March 1. Our Letters from *Rome* of the 22 past tell us, that the Pope had caused an Answer to be given to the Cardinal *d'Estree* in writing, in the matter of the Regality, by which it appeared that the Pope was resolved to maintain the Rights of the Church, and particularly those, which the Dispute is now about; the Letters add, that there was a discourse as if the Cardinal intended to return speedily to *France*, finding his endeavors to compose the differences now depending between the two Courts were not like to have any effect. From *Sicily* we have advice of some disorders that had happened at *Trapani*, occasioned by their Governors publishing an order for the lessning the weight of Bread.

Moscow, Jan. 10. We have from all parts an account of the great preparations of the Turks; and those that are making here are no ways inferior to theirs; so that there are like to be great Armies in the Field this Summer, and its probable they will not be idle. Our Czars Ambassador to the Crown of *Poland* parted from hence the last week, and we hope they will prove successful in their Negotiation; They being fully empowered to conclude a Conjunction of Forces against the Ottomans, and to make such offers as may dispose the Poles thereunto.

Lintz, March 5. The Emperor has given the command of Velt Marshall-Gen'ral, and the Presidentship of the Council of War to Prince *Herman of Baden*, which have been vacant since the death of General *Montecuculi*. There are Letters from *Hungary*, which give us fresh apprehensions of the designs of the Turks. From *Vienna* we have an account that the Duke of *Lorraine* was arrived there.

Strasburg, March 7. We are at present pretty quiet in those parts, but know not how long we shall continue so; The French would have us believe, that nothing will be done on their part to disturb the Peace we now enjoy, and that all matters that are in dispute, concerning dependencies will be regulated by the Commissioners that are

going to meet on the part of the Emperor and their King; though at the same time they go on with the Fortifications they are making on the *Rhine* and on the *Saar*, and give us by that and their other proceedings a just jealousy of their designs.

Copenhagen, March 8. Though there has been much talk of late of our Kings intending to increase very considerably his standing Forces, we do not hear that any Commissions have as yet been given out for that purpose. The King will certainly take a journey presently after Easter to *Gluckstadt*, and from thence to *Oldenburg*, wher as we understand some new Fortifications are making; The King has commanded six men to be drawn out of every Company of foot that is quartered here; to serve on Board the Ships that are now sitting out.

Luxemburg, March 11. We are in great perplexity here, occasioned by the account we have that Monsieur *de Buffe* fell two days since into this Country with 2000 Horse, 600 Dragoons, and some Foot, and that he has by order of the King his Master seized upon *Orchimont* and above 30 Villages belonging to it, obliging the Spanish Garrison that was in *Orchimont* to retire from thence, and the Inhabitants thereof to swear Allegiance to the French King; of which our Governor the Prince of *Chimay* has sent an Officer to *Brussels* to give the Prince of *Parma* an account.

Brussels, March 14. On Wednesday last Monsieur *Cursel*, the French Kings Lieutenant at *Tournay*, came hither to Demand, as it said, satisfaction for a late Robbery committed by Spanish Soldiers upon some French men who were buying Horses in this Province; But this is looked upon as too inconsiderable a Matter for such a Person to be employed in, and therefore its believed, his Errand is of greater importance, though it is hitherto kept secret. We do not yet hear of Monsieur *Pelletires* arrival at *Courtray*; but in the mean time we have daily complaints of the new pretensions which the French make upon several Places towards *Luxemburg*. The French King is changing the Governors of several Places in the new Conquests; and Monsieur *Montal*, now Governor of *Charleroy*, will be removed to *Charlemont*, which will be made of much greater importance than *Charleroy*.

Amsterdam, March 14. The difference concerning the Baylyship of *Drenthe*, which is a part of the Province of *Groningen*, is not yet determined. The case is thus, The Regents of *Drenthe* say they always accustomed to choose their own Great Bailly; but that during the late War, after the taking of *Coerden* the States-Gen'ral made the *Seiur Rabenbaupt* Great Bailly, which the said Regents did not then oppose, for that they would

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