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Naples, Feb. 23.

THe Marquis de los Velez our Viceroy has received Orders from Madrid to suppress for the future the Command of General of the Forces of this Kingdom; and to employ the Three hundred thousand Crowns which are assigned for Pensions and Gratifications yearly, for the Service of the Duchy of Milan, according to the Directions he shall hereafter receive.

Venice, Feb. 14. The last Letters we had from Constantinople gave an account, That the French Ambassador gave out, that he expected the Vicour de Nesple with the Ship, under his Command, with Orders to carry his Excellency home, seeing he could not obtain to be received by the Grand Vizier, with the same Respect that the French Ambassadors had always been by his Predecessors. From Rome they write, that the Pope was not at all satisfied with the proceedings of the Deputies of the Clergy of France in the matter of the Regale; and that he appeared resolved to abide by the Declarations he has heretofore made therein; so that this Affair is not like to be determined. The Republick of Genoua not being willing to give the French any occasion to quarrel with them, have, as we are informed, resolved to leave the Pretensions of the Counts de Fiesque, to the determination of the French King himself.

Viana, Feb. 20. The Ministers of this Court in continual Consultation concerning the affairs of Germany. The Duke of Lorraine is still here, and has a great part in these Councils; and we are told that the chief direction of the Military Affairs, and particularly with relation to the new Levies that are going to be made, will be left to him; and it is not doubted but if the Emperor think it necessary to have an Army in the Field this Summer, his Highness will Command it. There is a Discourse again of the Elector of Bavaria's Marrying with the Arch-Dutchess, the Emperor's Daughter. It is manifest that that Elector is perfectly in the Emperors Interests, and therefore what is said of the said Marriage, meets with the easiest belief. The Conferences that are going to be held in Hungary, will it's hoped, put an end to the Divisions of that Kingdom, by a happy composition of all things; to which we are assured Count Teckele and the rest of the Leading Men of his Party, appear very much disposed.

Frankfort, Feb. 22. The Deputies of the Princes of the Empire meet every day in the Town-House to adjust the differences, about Titles and Precedencies, which have hitherto hindered the opening of the Conferences. Here is arrived an Envoye from the King of Sweden.

Cologne, Feb. 24. Two days since, our Elector received an Account of the ill usage the Officers ap-

pointed by his Electoral Highness, to receive in several places in the Country of Liege to raise the 6th penny, have received from the French, who have forced the said Officers to leave these places, and have imprisoned several persons that would have opposed them. The Deputies of the City of Liege are still here, and seem to hope that these proceedings of the French, will dispose his Electoral Highness to an Accommodation with them. Our Magistrates continue to raise Men.

Paris, March 4. The Letters from Rome do not bring us the Account we expected concerning the affair of the Regale; but on the contrary tell us, that the Pope is not at all pleased with what the Assembly of the Clergy here has done, relating not in the least to depart from his former Declarations in this Matter. In the meantime the said Assembly is entering upon very great Points, which may have notable consequences. The Parliament of Toulouse having made a Decree, forbidding the Protestants to Preach in any of their Churches that are not distant above 200 Pages from any Parish Church, they humbly Addressed their Complaints to the Council, who far from giving the Petitioners any Relief, have Commanded that all the said Protestant Churches shall be demolished. Monsieur de Lauzun has been at Court and kissed the Kings Hand, who has given him 800000 Livres, to recompence him for his Place of Captain of the Guard du Corps; and Madamoiselle de Montpensier has given him the Duchy of St Fargeau. On Monday the King took a Review of the Troops of his Household; part of which received their Orders to march towards Luxembourg.

Paris, March 7. The Deputies of the Clergy being Assembled the 25th past, the form of Provisions for Decanries, Archdeanries, &c. drawn up pursuant to the Kings last Edict; as likewise the form according to which the Bishops may refuse those that have the Kings Grant, if they have not the Age, the Degrees, and Qualities required by the Canons, were read and approved, and were ordered to be Printed with the Act of the Assemblies Consent to the Extension of the Regale, the Kings Edict thereupon, and their Letter to the Pope, in order to their being sent to all the Bishops of France. This done the Archbishop proposed to the Assembly three very important Points: First, That they would consider of the most effectual means to bring the Hereticks into the bosome of the Church, to determine Controversies, &c. Secondly, That they would examine the Morality of some Modern Casuists, and reform the same according to the Rules of the antient Councils and Fathers. Thirdly, That they would examine the Matter of the Subordination of Regulars to the Bishops. Whereupon three Committees were appointed to consider of these three Heads: of the First, the Archbishop of Paris is President; of the Second, the Archbishop of Rheims; and of the Third the Bishop of

of *Aleaux*. The 5th Instant the Marschal de *Crequi* parted from hence, being appointed by the King to Command a Body of between fifteen and twenty thousand Men, to hinder the Spaniards from relieving the City of *Luxemburg*,

Whitehal, Feb. 28. The following Address was Presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable the Lord *Fitzharding*, and very Graciously received by His Majesty.

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty.

The Humble Petition and Address of His most Dutiful Subjects, the Inhabitants of His Majesties ever Loyal Town of *Brewton*, in the County of *Somerset*,

Humbly Sheweth,

That we Your Sacred Majesties most faithful Subjects, would have been earlier in our Acknowledgments of the great Blessings we enjoy under Your Majesties Government (the happiest in this side Heaven) but that our Zeal was temper'd by our Fears (that in the croud of Applications, much more considerable for number then ours, less notice would have been taken of our Professions of Thankfulness to God for Your Majesty, and to Your Majesty for Your unimitable Tenderness of Your People, in the steady prosecution of Your own Laws, and for the assurance the word of a King gives us, of Your continuance to make them Your Rule (notwithstanding the horrible Revocations too many bad Men have given You) and to admit of no Church-Government but that by Law now established, nor of any Religion but the Protestant, one of the chief Essentials whereof, is a fixt and unshaken Loyalty. This is the Religion deriv'd to us from our Predecessors, and which we doubt not to continue to our Posterity; that if ever Your Majesty should have occasion (which God of His Mercy Defend You from) both our Selves and Successors may (as our Fathers and we have done) ever cheerfully hazard all for the keeping a good Conscience and our Duty to our Sovereign, which with Comfort we hope, we may most justly boast we have done, beyond the practice of most other Places; few of us but can truly say, we have been our Selves, or Fathers, Sequestred, Imprison'd, Persecuted, Undone; and for no other crime but our Loyalty to Your Majesties blessed Father and Self, in whose Service every individual Man almost of us, may to his Glory, remember some near Relation that honestly lost his Life. We have no more to add, but humbly beseech Your Majesty not to look on them as Protestants but Jesuits in Masquerade, who bring a scandal on our Nation by assuming that Name, while they endeavour to destroy our Church, and by Arbitrary Power enslave their fellow-Subjects, and calumniate Your Majesty with their own faults: May such tender Consciences, by putting the wholesome Laws of the Land in execution, be brought to their Duty; that Your Majesty, and all Your good Subjects may continue to enjoy the Blessings of Peace; which under God we can attribute to nothing but Your Majesties Goodness and Prudence; for the long continuance of whose happy Reign, and lawful Successors we shall ever all and pray as becomes true Protestants, and

Your Sacred Majesties ever
Loyal Subjects.

Portsmouth, Feb. 28. Sunday in the Evening came to *Spithead* His Majesties Ship the *Happy Return*, Captain *Weybourne* Commander, from *Plymouth*.

Whitehal, Feb. 25, His Majesty was this day pleas'd, as a mark of his Favour, to confer the Honour of Knighthood, in his Bedchamber, upon Captain *Thomas Cutler* of *Leachlade* in the County of *Gloucester*, who having thereupon kiss'd His Majesties Hand, did Declare, That as his Life ever had been, so both Life and Fortune ever should be at His Majesties Service, and lawful Successors; to whom His Majesty was pleas'd to reply, That he knew him better than to doubt it.

Whitehal, Feb. 27. This Afternoon Count *Pertengue*, Ambassador Extraordinary from his Royal Highness the Duke of *Savoy*, made his publick Entry; having been received at *Greenwich* by the Right Honourable the Earl of *Berkley*, and Sir *Charles Cotterel*, Master of the Ceremonies, and brought from thence by Water in the Kings Barge to *Tower-Hill*, where at his Landing, his Excellency was Saluted with a discharge of the Cannon, and from thence was conducted in the Kings Coach, followed by three of his own, and a great number of the Nobilities with six Horses a-piece, to the House appointed for his Excellencies Entertainment, in the Palace-yard at *Westminster*; soon after his coming thither, his Excellency was Complimented in the Name of the King by the Lord *Lansdowne*, and in that of the Queen by *George Sayre*, Esq; His Excellencies Train and Equipage was numerous and splendid, a great many Gentlemen of the best Quality in *Savoy* attending him; his Coaches (particularly the first) being extraordinary rich, and his Pages and Footmen, which were twenty, being in very fine Liveries, and every thing else answerable.

Whitehal, Feb. 28. This day Captain *Frazz*, the Polander his Servant, and *John Sterne*, who had been a Lieutenant of Foot in *Flanders*, were brought to their Tryal at the *Old Bailey*, for the Murther of *Thomas Thibine*, Esq; as likewise Count *Charles John Conningmarke*, as an accessory before the Fact: the Captain, the Polander, and the Lieutenant, owned the thing in the same manner they did upon their examinations when they were first taken. And after a full examination of the whole Matter, and that the Lord Chief Justice had given the Charge, the Jury withdrew, and soon after returned with their Verdict, and brought in the said Captain, the Polander, and the Lieutenant Guilty; and acquitted Count *Conningmarke*: Whereupon Sentence of Death was accordingly pass'd upon the Captain, the Polander, and the Lieutenant; and Count *Conningmark* had his Liberty.

Advertisements.

John Harwood, His Majesties Sworn Servant, and Sword-Cutler in Ordinary, is now removed from the Sign of the *Rais Dore*, near the Swan in the Strand, to the *Kings-Head* at *Charing-Cross*, over against the *King on Horseshoe*, where all Gentlemen may be furnished with all sorts of good Work at reasonable Rates.

There being a great Cock-Match for His Majesties Divertissement at *Newmarket*, to be fought between *Roger Top*, Esq; and *Richard Harvill*, Esq; which will begin about the 20th Instant. The Masters of His Majesties Cock-pit there, do desire that such Persons as have heretofore subscribed to send in Cocks to maintain that sport at such Meetings, to send in their Cocks according to their former Subscriptions.