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At the Court at WHITEHALL the 19th of December 1684.

Present

The King's Most Excellent MATESTY, And the Lords of His Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council.

Is Majesty minding to secure all His Loving Subjects in Travelling and going about their Lawful Occasions, is this day in Council pleased to Order, and it is bereby Ordered, That all His Majesty's Officers of Justice and others His Loving Subjects, do use their utmost diligence and endeavor for the Apprehending all Robbers
or High way Men, to the end they may be proceeded
against according to Law; And for the Encouragement of such as shall Apprehend any such Offender or Offenders, It is further Ordered by His Majesty, That such Person or Persons who shall at any time from the day of the Date hereof, till the 19th of December, which shall be in the Year of Our Lord 1685, and after that day till His Majesty shall please to recall this Order either by Proclamation or His Order in Council, Apprehend any Robber or High-way Man, and cause him to be brought into Custody, shall within Fifteen days after bis Convilion have a reward of Ten Pounds for every fuch Offender so Apprehended and Conviled, and all and every Sheriffs and Sheriff of the respective Counties and Sheriffwicks where such Conviction shall be had, are and is bereby required upon the Certificate of the Judge or two or more Justices of the Peace, before whom such Person or Persons shall be Convicted of such apprehension and conviction, to pay unto the Person or Persons who shall apprehend such Offender or Offenders the reward aforesaid, within the time aforesaid, for each and every Offender so apprehended and convitted as aforesaid, out of His Majesy's Moneys received by such Sheriff or Sheriffs in that County where such Conviction shall be, which shall be allowed unto him or them upon his or their Accompts in the Exchequer; And the Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners of His Majejty's Treasury are bereby Authorised and Impowered to give sufficient Warrants to the Officers and others concerned in the Exchequer, to give allowance thereof accordingly; And it is a so fur her Ordered, That all Lieutenants, Deputy-Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Mayors, Sheriffs, Bayliffs, and other Officers and Persons what soever do take notice hereof, and give due Obedience accordingly, and also be Aiding and As-sisting in all things tending to the Execution hereof as they tender His Majesty's Displeasure, and upon pain of being proceeded against as Contemners of His Majesty's Royal Authority.

Francis Gwyn.

Vienna, December 10.

meets almost every day to direct the Preparations for the next Campagne, at which the Duke of Lotrain, though he is no: perfectly re-established in his health, has constantly assisted since his return from Hungary; But his Highness will part from hence the next week for Insprucke to pass the Winter there. Count Serini, General of the Elector of Bavaria's Forces, is still here to adjust several matters concerning their sublistence and security in their Winter quarters; the places affigned them as well as the neighb uring Country, being hardly in a condition to supply them with necessaries, and lying very open to the Robels of Hungary, who in all probability will give them frequent Alarms. It is confirmed that the Turks have taken Vaccia; and that the Imperialists have quitted and demo-fished Barkan to prevent its falling likewise into the Enemies hands this Winter; for having no Garifons near it on that fide of the River, and the Bridge of Gran being broken down, they could not succor it in case of need; But the Garison of Gran continues a Guard of 25 Men in a small Redoubt on t è other side of the Danube, who are relieved every 24 hours in Boats. General Lessie has put his Iroops into Winter-quarters, their head quarter being at Bellantnite; He has given notice to the Gentry of Croatia that his Imperial Majesty intends to call them into the Field very early the next year. They write from Hungary that the Basia's of Build and Agria have orders to relieve Newbeusel, and that they are preparing a great Convoy for that purpose; That the Serasquier Bassa has with some Troops repassed the Bridge of Esseke, being sent for to Adrianose: Before he lest Hungary he changed the Garison of Buda.

Ratisbonne, Dec. 15. The Imperial Commissioners do very much press the Dyet to come to a speedy resolution upon the Memorial they lately presented to them by order of the Emperor, demanding their assistance against the Turks; but many of the Deputies wanting Instructions, nothing has been yet done in this matter. The Imperial Commisfioners do likewise call upon the Dyet to take inte confideration the Memorial presented to them concerning the Affairs of the Duke of Holflein. They write from Municke that the Elector of Bavaria hath given out Commissions for the raising of several new Troops.

Frankfort, December 17. The Letters from Vienna of the 12th Inflant tell us that General Schulez was broken up from before Esperies, the stout refistance of the Garison, together with the coldness of the Weather, obliging him to take that refolutionafter having battered the place feveral days with 16 pieces of Cannon. That the Commander of *Vaccia*, which the Turks have lately made themfelves Masters of, was a Prisoner at Gran for having surrendred the place without making any re-The Council of War I susance; But that he lays the blame upon the Hun-

garians