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Venice, August 21.

BYA Vessel which arrived here on Thursday last from *Zant*, we had an account that the Forces of this Republicke before *Coron* were advanced to the Walls of the place, in which they had made very large Breaches; That the *Bassa* had thereupon hung out a White Flag, and desired to Capitulate, but Captain General *Morofini* letting him know that he must surrender upon discretion, The *Bassa* put out a Black Flag to shew he was resolved to defend the place to the last. That the *Bassa* of *Strasso* having drawn together between 7 and 8000 men, he marched with them to relieve *Coron*, but being informed of the strength of the Besiegers he durst not attempt it, but contented himself with sending some Troops to reinforce the Garrison of *Madon*, and with falling upon the Greeks in that Neighborhood, of whom he made a great slaughter, and afterwards possessed himself of *Lvini* and another small place near *Corinth*. We have since received Letters from *Zant* of the 12th past, which say that *Coron* was taken by Assault, and that much Blood was spilt in it, of which we must expect a confirmation. And a *Polaque* come from *Cia* brings news, that being off of *Scio* they had heard great Shooting, and that arriving at *Milo* they were informed that the Ships of this State commanded by Signior *Molino* and *Delfino* had been engaged with the Turkish Fleet and had obtained the Victory, which needs likewise to be confirmed.

From the Imperial Camp before *Newhousel*, August 24. The 26, 27, and 28 past were spent in battering the place, throwing in of Bombes and Carcasses, and carrying our Galleries over the Ditch, which we likewise began to fill with Fagots, Sacks of Wool, &c. But the besieged made so vigorous a resistance that in these 3 days we had 200 Men killed, among whom was the Count de *Buckheim* Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of *Souches*, and about 300 wounded. The 29 we continued to batter the place with that success that we almost quined the Flanks of the attackt Bastions; We made a Lodgment in the Ditch in order to fix the Miners; but the besieged with their small Shot and Hand-Grnadoes killed and wounded many of our men. The same day the Elector of *Bavaria* arrived in the Camp, and was received with a general discharge of the Canon and Mortars against the Place. The Duke of *Lorraine* had advice that the Ottoman Army was marching towards *Gra*; And his Highness thereupon sent an Express with orders to the Auxiliary Troops of *Cologne* and *Franconia* to hasten their march, but to halt at *Comorra*, for that they might joyn the Army there in case they passed the *Danube* to fight the Enemy. The night following the besieged made a Sally by a covered way which had a communication into the Ditch, and filled up part of the Canal, which we had cut to let the Water out of the Ditch; they likewise filled up some of our Works, and burnt the Galleries which were made on the right, on the side

of the attack of the Troops of *Bruswick*, and pushed our men that defended the Work with that vigor, that they had great difficulty to save the Powder and Ammunition; This night we had divers men killed and wounded. The 30th at midday the besieged made again a Sally, and quite filled up the Canal which let the Water out of the Ditch; They made another on the left on the side of the attack of the *Bavarians*, where they burnt the Galleries and several of our men were killed and wounded; The same day we had advice that the *Serasquier* *Bassa* was come with 30000 men and a Train of Artillery within 2 miles of *Gra*, upon which 500 foot were sent under the command of Major *Kounkel* to reinforce that Garrison. We began to dig anew the Canal the Enemy had filled up, and to repair our Batteries and other works. The 31th we had quite repaired the Galleries and advanced the work 100 Paces; We likewise finished the Lines of Circumvallation. At night 20 Turks appeared in the Ditch and presently retired again, but about an hour after they came out in a greater number by a covered way on the side of the great Mosque, and killed a Captain two Lieutenants and 60 Soldiers that had the Guard, and the Lieutenant Colonel of the Regiment of *Gallenfels* was dangerously wounded; The *Turkes* encouraged with this advantage would have gone farther, but they were repulsed and forced to retire. This day we understood that the besieged had made several retrenchments within the attackt Bastions: And at night the Duke of *Lorraine* received advice that the 500 men were got into *Gra*, and that the *Serasquier* had besieged that place. Yesterday our Batteries which had ceased for two days, began again to fire upon the place; The Enemy answered us with their Cannon, and having pointed several pieces against our Batteries, they put one of them into disorder, which taking fire, as did likewise one of the Galleries, the Soldiers affrighted would have abandoned the Battery; The Duke of *Lorraine* was forced to go thither to oblige them to put out the fire, which he could not do until drawing his Sword he threatened to kill some of them himself; The consternation was so great, that several Officers asking his Highness what they should do, he took a Shovel and began himself to work to shew them. This morning was held a great Council of War, some were of opinion, that the Governor of *Gra* having men and provisions sufficient to defend the place six weeks, they ought to push on the siege of *Newhousel*, and in the mean time let the *Turks* weaken their Army before *Gra*; but it was resolved by the majority, to march with the greatest part of the Army to fight the *Serasquier*: And the Count de *Lamberg* is dispatched to *Vienna*, to give the Emperor an account thereof.

Vienna, August 9. The 30th past the Turkish Army, being about 50000 Men, came before *Gra*; The same day 500 Men which the Duke of *Lorraine* had sent to reinforce that Garrison, got into the Town in the sight of the Enemy. The 31th they opened their Trenches, and began to attack the place with