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Milan, Decemb. 9.

THE Republick of Venice hath made a Treaty with our Governour the Count de Melgar, for 1500 Foot, and 500 Dragoons, which are to be paid on the same foot as are the Troops of Lundenburgh now in the service of that State, and are to be sent home again within three Months after the Governour of Milan shall demand them, the Republick being obliged to make t' em up to the number they were when they entered into their Service, or to pay a Sum of Money in consideration thereof at the rate of so much a Man.

Vienna, Decemb. 20. The Cardinal Bonviss, the Pop's Nuncio at this Court, has, we are told, assured the Emperor, that his Holiness will assist him with a considerable Supply of Money to be employed in the Preparations for the next Campaign. A great Council of War is appointed to be held here in the beginning of February, at which the Duke of Lorrain will be present. The Imperial Officers that are here have most of them received the Money allowed them for their Recruits, being obliged to have their Companies complete by the beginning of April. We told you in our last, that the Viceroy of Buda had sent another Letter to the President of the Emperor's Council of War, the substance of it, as we are since informed, is only this, that he, the said Viceroy, was expecting farther directions from Adrianople, upon the Answer his Imperial Majesty had given to Aga Chelbi, that he would not begin any Conference or Negotiation of Peace without the consent and satisfaction of his Allies, and that he will, so soon as he has received them, send hither an account thereof, intimating withal, that he believes the Grand Signior may be disposed, through the great desire he has to put an end to the War and the Calamities that attend it, to send Ambassadors hither to treat with such Persons as shall be authorized for that purpose by the Emperor and his Allies. The Princess Ragotzi has written to General Caprara in answer to the Letter she received from him, wherein she pretends a willingness to submit her self to the Emperor, but at the same time refuses to receive a Garrison into the Castle of Moatz, and seems to believe that the condition of her Husband Count Zekle is not such as is reported, but on the contrary that he is very well treated by the Turks, and that he will return very suddenly. General Rabata is gone for Hungary to give the necessary Orders concerning the Magazines which the Emperor has ordered to be provided at Comorra, and several other places of that Kingdom.

Cologne, Decemb. 28. There has not passed any thing of moment here since the re-establishment of the old Magistrates, against whom those that have been displaced have made several Complaints, which will be examined by the Imperial Sub-Commissioners at their return hither after the Holy-

days; when we expect likewise to hear what farther Proceedings will be had against the three Prisoners at Dufeldorpe. The Sieur Bilderboque, Resident of the States General of the United Provinces, is gone from hence to Ronne, to comply at the Elector of Cologne upon the death of the Bishop of Freisingue and Ratisbonne, his Electoral Highness's Brother.

Hamburg, Decemb. 26. The Troops of Lundenburgh, which served in Hungary this last Campaign are come back, having their Winter-quarters assigned them within the Territories of those Princes: The Count de Rapack who was appointed by the Emperor to conduct them, is arrived at Hanover, to thank that Duke in the Emperor's Name for the assistance of the said Troops. The Deputies which this City sent some time ago to Vienna, to represent at that Court the State of the differences depending between them and the Duke of Zell, have not yet been able to obtain Audience of the Emperor. The Sieur Cauniz the Brandenburg Minister is returned hither, and it is hoped, that by his Electoral Highness's interposition the said differences, will be at last amicably composed. The Duke of Hanover is gone for Italy, with the Dutchess his Wife, and the Prince his eldest Son, intending to pass the Carnaval at Venice or Genoa. They write from Holstein, that all the Low Lands are still under Water, that they have lost most of their Cattle, and that the misery of the Country People in these quarters can hardly be expressed. The last Letters from Poland gave an account, that the King hath summoned all the Senators of the Kingdom to meet the fourth of the next month at Zolkiew, to consult about the preparations for the next Campaign, which it is confidently said will be greater than any that have been yet made on that side since the War. The advices from Moscow say generally, that the Czars appear very much inclined to enter into the League against the Turks, but they are not to be relied upon, and therefore we must have patience till the Ambassadors of Poland arrive at that Court, when we shall hear with more certainty what the resolutions of the Czars are in this Conjunction.

Elague, Jan. 1. The Province of Zealand having consented to the first payment of the Arrears of Subsidies due to the Elector of Brandenburg, the Heer Van Spilte, who was sent hither by his Electoral Highness to receive the same, will now be very quickly dispatcht. The Sieur Guldenstolpe, Envoy Extraordinary from the King of Sweden, has since his Arrival here had several Conferences with the Deputies of the States General, about renewing, as is believed, the Alliance which is now going to expire between that Crown and this State. The Heer Spaen, Lieutenant-General of the Elector of Brandenburg's Forces, is still here.

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