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Madrid, Novemb: 21.

THE King went this week to the *Buen Retiro*, where he will stay till the 5th of the next month. The Count de *Melgar*, late Governor of *Milan*, and named by the King to go his Ambassador Extraordinary to the Pope, was, upon his arrival here some days ago, sent Prisoner to the Castle of *Coria*, 20 miles from hence; for returning hither without leave; And the Marquis de *Cogolludo*, Son of the Duke of *Medina Celi*, is now designed for the Embassy to *Rome*. The new *Pragmatica* for the raising the value of Money occasioning much disorder in Trade, several Councils have been held here on this Subject.

Venice, Nov. 23. This day arrived here a *Felucca* from *Dalmatia*, by which we have advice, that the *Bassa* of *Arcegovina* was on his march with 15000 Men towards *Clm*, and that General *Cornaro* upon the News of it had drawn what Troops he could together, and joining with the *Cossacks*, commanded by the Chevalier *Janco*, had taken his march towards the Enemy, with a resolution to fight them. This week 1000 new raised Men arrived at the *Lido*. The *Bassa*'s of *Napoli di Romania* and *Zarnata*, have taken two Houses with very fine Gardens belonging to them, where they are now with their Families.

Stry, Nov. 9. The King and Queen of *Poland* have been here several days; They intend to go from hence to *Lembergh*: His Majesty has in the mean time sent thither the Chancellor of *Lithuania*, to acquaint the Ambassadors of *Moscow*, that he wonders very much at their pressing with so much earnestness to have the League concluded by his Ambassadors at *Moscow*, sworn to by his Majesty, when they have not yet performed any thing of what was stipulated on their side. The Czars were obliged by this Treaty to employ their Forces this last Summer against the *Tartars*, to divert them from joining with the *Turks*, but, it's said here, they have been so far from complying with this Article, that they have not yet committed the least Hostility against them. The Forces of *Lithuania* are gone home; And those of the Crown will, it's believed, have the same Winter-quarters they had the last year. The King has resolved to call a *Dyet*, but they will not meet till the end of *January*, or beginning of *February*. The place of their meeting is not yet fixed, this being a matter that must be first adjusted with the great men of *Lithuania*, who insist to have the *Dyet* meet at *Grodno*.

Warsaw, Nov. 15. The Letters from *Lembergh* of the 10th Instant tell us, that the Crown General, and most of the Senators were arrived there, and that their Majesties of *Poland* were expected the 12th or 13th from *Stry*. We are told that several new Regiments will be raised against the

Buda, Novemb, 17. We have advice that the Prince and States of *Transylvania* have sent Deputies to General *Caraffa*, who commands the Emperor's Forces in *Upper Hungary*, to agree with him about the Winter-quarters the *Imperialists* pretend to take in that Country, in lieu of which they offer a considerable Sum of Money, and to furnish Hay and Oats for 8000 Horse, giving withall new assurances, that they will the next Campagne join their Forces with those of his Imperial Majesty, according to the Measures that shall be concerted by their Deputies at *Vienna*. The freshest News we have of the Grand Visier is, That he was retired in great confusion towards *Belgrade*, not having with him above 10060 Men; And that he had sent several Expresses to *Constantinople*, to represent the posture of affairs on this side, imputing all the misfortunes of this Campagne, to the ill Conduct of those that have had the management of Affairs before him, who had brought things into that disorder, that it was not in his power to redress them. This account we have by two *Rascians* who came from *Temiswarer*. This day arrived here an Officer, who brought the News of the taking of *Caposuar* by the Imperial Forces under the Command of the Prince of *Baden*. They came before it the 9th, and the place was surrendered the 13th. The Governor being asked, when he marched out with the Garison, Why he did not hold out longer? Answered, *What can the Little Chickens do when the Hen is gone*. This place was fortified with a good Wall and Ditch, with a Castle adjoining to it, and was in a condition to have made a much better Defence.

Vienna, Nov. 24. We have received the following Particulars of the burning of the Bridge of *Esfelcke*. The 1st Instant, towards the Evening, the Prince of *Baden* arrived with the Forces under his Command near *Darda*; The Garison, upon our approach, quitted that Fortress, after having set it on Fire in several places. The Prince of *Baden* caused his Cavalry to advance towards the *Drave*, leaving the great Bridge on their Right; the great *Moras* that reaches from *Darda* almost to that River being quite dried up, which very much facilitated the execution of our design. Our Troops skirmished with the *Turks* who were posted at the head of their Bridge of Boats over the *Drave*, but it lasted not long, the Enemy retiring to the other side of the River, and breaking the Bridge so soon as they had passed it; But they continued the whole Night to fire upon us with Small Shot, and from twelve pieces of Cannon, which however did not hinder us from ruining the other Bridge of about thirty Paces, made of great Beams over a *Moras*, and fastned to the said Bridge of Boats. The great Bridge from *Darda* to the *Drave*, does not go straight to the Bridge of Boats, but on one side of it, so that having passed the great Bridge you turn to the left, and must go about 400 paces before you can come to the Bridge of Boats, and pass