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**T**HE Grand Signior, who during the Confusion and Disorder, with which the News of the taking of *Buda*, and the other unfortunate Successes of the last Campagne, had filled his Court and City, found himself in some danger, by the malicious caballing of the Leading Caddesses and chief *Outerack* Janissaries (who are those that being Superannuated, or having been maimed or wounded, or performed some considerable Service in the War, receive a Dead pay, with liberty to follow their private Vocations) having by the deposing of the *Mustis*, the Reform he made in the *Seraglio*, and by declaring he would go in Person the next Summer against the  *Germans* , quieted the discontents of the People for that time (of which you had formerly an Account) He soon after acquainted the *Casimacau* with his Resolution of going from hence to take his usual Recreation of Hunting, which he was advised by his Physicians, was very necessary for his Health. The *Casimacau* and his chief Councillors, most earnestly besought him not to abandon his Imperial City in this critical Conjunction, and represent the dangers to which he might thereby expose his Person and Empire, but not being to be prevailed with to confine himself to this City (to which he has ever discovered a more than ordinary Aversion) he commanded his Horses, Dogs, and Hawks, to be got together again; and put in readines for his Service; And this day began his Hunting, in which, it's believed, he will spend most of the Winter. The Grand Visier *Azem* who designed to come hither, to assist at the Councils for the directing the Preparations of the War, having Notice of the Grand Signior's Intentions, has changed his Resolution, and it's said, intends now to winter at *Belgrade* on pretence of being the earlier in the Field the next Campagne; But his great and invincible difficulty will be to get Men, Money and Provisions, to put him in a capacity for Action. He has, to save Charges, dismissed many of his Soldiers, that they may refresh themselves at their own homes; And has displaced the *Seraskiuer* of *Hungary*, and advanced the Aga of the *Janissaries* to that Command, which shews he begins to court the *Janissaries*, either out of fear, or some deep design. *Crogle*, the Grand Signior's Son-In-Law, and Favourite, died the other day of an Apoplexy; at the Castles on the *Dardaniis*, and was there privately buried, to save Expence; And not without reason, for never was there such an empty Treasury in *Turkie* since their Empire first began, as at this day. *Caravassan*, the late *Casimacau* of this place, falling in disgrace with the Grand Visier, was, for his Mortification, sent the last Summer to the *Morea*, where he died of Grief; And though he had passed through most of the great and gainful Offices of the Empire, he left only seven

Purses (being 3500 Crowns) in ready money, and even this inconsiderable Sum was taken from his Wives and Children. The *Chiaus Boffa* is made a *Passa*, which is a Preferment to his Lois; *Mustapha Aga*, who is esteemed very rich, comes into his place; And several other Changes are expected, the making of new Officers bringing an Income into the Grand Signior's Merree or Exchequer.

*Rome*, Febr. 1. *Messire Francois Hannibal Duke d'Estrees*, who had resided here 15 years with the Character of Ambassador Extraordinary from the Crown of *France*, dyed the 30th past of an Apoplexy, with which he was seized the day before; His Body is deposited in the Church of *St. Louis*, till it can be transported to *France* to be buried among his Ancestors. By the death of Cardinal *Raggi*, Legat of *Romagnia*, who dyed lately at *Ravenna*, in the 75th year of his Age, a second Place is become void in the Sacred Colledg. The Pope has, it's said, resolved to maintain 1000 Men at his own charge in *Dalmatia*, for the Assistance of the *Venicians* against the *Turks*; Cardinal *Pio*, Protector of the Affairs of *Germany*, had the last week an Audience of his Holiness, upon the Proposal of converting the Truce into a Peace.

*Venice*, Febr. 8. By a Vessel arrived from *Candia* we have advic'd, that the *Greeks* of that Kingdom called *Sfaciatras*, had revolted, and charged 600 *Turks*, who were sent to raise the Contributions, killing many of them, and taking several Prisoners; and that they had sent four Deputies to Captain-General *Morofini* to demand the protection of this Republick. They write from *Dalmatia*, that *Mehemet Bacha*, who served the last Campagne in *Hungary*, was come to *Cattaro*, with a resolution to embrace the Christian Religion.

*Madrid*, Febr. 13. The King has made the Marquis *de los Voles* Surintendant General of the Finances; And the Office of President of the Council *de la Hazienda* or the Finances, vacant by the death of the Count *de Humanex*, is given to *Dom Pedro d'Oreyria*, which he is to exercise with the Title of Governor under the Orders of the Surintendant; And the Government of *Oran*, void by the death of *Dom Francisco Pan y Agua*, is given to the Bailly *de Bracamonte*, Knight of *Malta*. The King has ordered the Reform, which was resolved on above a year ago, of the many supernumerary Officers of the several Councils and Tribunals, to be put in execution. Those that bought their Offices, are to receive Interest for the money they gave for them, after the Rate of Five per Cent. till their Principal can be repaid; But those upon whom these Offices were bestowed for their Services are to continue to enjoy them till they be provided with other Employments of the same advantage. The Marquis *de los Voles* was married the 2d Instant with *Dona Isabella Faxorda*, Daughter of the Count *d'Ayala*. The Sieur *Bassier*, Envoy Extraordinary from the *States-General*, made the 7th Instant his Publick Entry. May