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ON the 6th Instant, his Excellency Sir *William Trumbull*, His Majesties Ambassador to the *Port*, had his first Audience of the *Caymacan*; the late Ambassador the Lord *Chandos*, and the present Ambassador, went both together to their Audience, as they passed from *Gala:ta* to *Constantinople*; and likewise at their Return, they were saluted not only by the *English*, but by the *French* and *Dutch* Ships also. They were met at the Water-side by the *Chiaus Bassa*, attended by 50 *Chiausces*; and there were 100 Horse sent from the *Grand Signior's*, and the *Caymacan's* Stables, for their Excellencies Gentlemen, and the Me chants, so that the Cavalcade consisted of 150 Horse. The 50 *Chiausces* marched first, and were followed by the Ambassadors *Jamzaries*, and their Liveries, on Foot. Next went the *Draggermen* on Horseback, and the *Chiaus Bassa*, immediately before their Excellencies; the Lord *Chandos* having the Upper Hand as they went, and Sir *William Trumbull* as they returned. The *Grand Signior*, who had the Curiosity to see them pass, was in a Chamber upon the Wall of the *Seraglio* from the *Caiasan's* Gate, looking through a Lattice. The late Ambassador having acquainted the *Caymacan* that he was come to resign his Office to his Successor, Sir *William Trumbull* then made his Compliments, presenting His Majesties Letter for the *Grand Visir*, with another of his own. The usual Ceremonies observed on these Occasions being pass'd, the Ambassadors, with 28 of their Retinue, were visit'd, the *Caymacan* showing great Respect and Civility to the Ambassadors in their Receipt, which was on the *Saffras*; thus they return'd in the same Order, the *Grand Signior* being at that time in the *Kiosk* of the *Seraglio* on the Waters side.

The *Visier*, *Solyman Bassa*, when he fled from the Army, fled from *Adrianople*, there to expect the *Grand Signior's* Pleasure, and was not without hopes of preserving himself in the Emperor's Favor, at least so far as to get an exchange between him and his Friend *Ragib Bassa* the *Caymacan*; and he had that encouragement, that *Mahomet Aga* was sent to him the 7th Instant, with Orders to come to *Constantinople*: But as he was on his way, he received an Account, that there was arriv'd on the 9th Instant four Officers from the Camp, deputed by the *Janizaries*, *Spaniards*, *Topogees*, and *Gobgees*, one from each Body, with a Certificate from all the principal Officers, setting forth, That *Solyman* was a Person of no Conduct or Courage; That he had taken no Care to pay the Army; and that he was altogether unfit for that high Employment: And this was accompanied with a Petition, desiring the *Grand Signior* to constitute another *Visier*, for they could no longer endure this. Upon this Notice, *Solyman* immediately sent before to *Constantinople* the *Testerdar* and *Reys Effendi* with the Seal and Standard of *Mahomet*; and followed privately himself, arriving here the 11th Instant, still concealing himself, as is said, in the *Caymacan's* House. The *Grand Signior* hath pardon'd him his Life, but whether he is to be banished, or otherwise disposed of, is not yet known. He hath given Liberty to all his Slaves that were near him, as is usually done here by great Men, when either under fear of Death, or upon joy of some great Deliverance. A Messenger was sent to the *Sciaus Bassa* (whom the Army had set up for their General,) to carry him the advice of his being chosen *Visier*, and that he should prepare to receive the Seal with the accustomed Ceremonies, which was sent him, on the 13th Instant, by the *Selissar Aga* or the *Grand Signior's* Sword-Bearer. This new *Visier* is by Birth a *Circassian*, and was formerly a Slave of old *Kuperli*, who bred him up as one of his Pages, and afterwards employed him in Quality of *Capigelar Kraf*, or Master of the Ceremonies: his Son, *Amet Kuperli*, married his Sister to him, and prefer'd him to be for some time Master of the Ceremonies to the *Grand Signior*, and after that to be General of the *Spaniards*. He was made *Bassa* about Four Years since, after the death of *Ram Mussafia*; he is a Person of a good Presence, and of about 60 years of Age, but he has not hitherto had the opportunities of giving any great Proof of his Abilities, either as to the War, or the Management of other State Affairs. At the Return of the *Selissar Aga* from the Army, there were some Alterations expected to be made amongst the great Officers; and the *Caymacan* being to intimate a Friend and Creature of the late *Visier*, it is believed they will fall together. The *Testerdar* and *Reys Effendi* are both order'd to return to the Camp. The *Mistri* who was banished the last Year to *Birsa*, not far from hence, is now sent to *Rhodes*, it being feared that his nearness to this City might give an occasion to some Disturbance, whereas otherwise there is little or no appearance of any, either at present, or to be apprehended for the future, notwithstanding these Changes.

Rome, Nov. 22. The Marquis de *Livardin's* Entry, as it was in itself very Remarkable, considering the great Numbers that accompanied him; so it has been attended by the most solemn Acts of Devotion throughout the whole City, such as Frequent Processions, Publick Prayers, and other Religious Performances, as have been usually directed on extraordinary Occasions. His Excellency went to require an Audience of the Cardinal Archbishop Dean of the Sacred Colledge; but his *Maestro de Camera* excus'd his delivering any such Message, and *Monsieur Adignichy*, the Pope's *Maestro de Camera*, being next sent to acquaint his Holiness with his Arrival, made his Excuses in the like manner: But the Foreign Ministers have all made him their Compliments, according to his Character. On Monday last came hither an Express, with the News of the Death of the Marquis del *Capo* Vicaroy of *Naples*, and the *Contable de Colonna* being named by the King to succeed him in the *Interim*, who being admitted to a long Audience of the Pope the next day, went Poss on Wednesday for *Naples*, to take possession of that Government.

Vienna, Novemb. 30. The Actions of the Campaign being at an end; there is nothing at present that does so much employ the Curious, as the Enquiry after what is doing at *Presburg*, where more Difficulties daily arise to take up time than were at first apprehended; and for the better understanding of what is transacting there, it will be necessary to set down at large the Propositions deliver'd by his Imperial Majesties Commands at the opening of the *Hungarian* Dyet, which are as follows:

His Imperial Majesty having by the Divine Assistance so gloriously surmounted all those Difficulties and Hazards, which not only threatned the Kingdom of *Hungary*, whose Preservation and Prosperity has been an Object of his Majesties immediate Care, as well as that of his Predecessors, ever since their Subjection to them from the time of *Ferdinand the First*, but have also endanger'd his Majesties Sacred Person and Crown, whilst he freely expos'd both in their Defence, in opposition to the desperate Attempts of his and their Enemies; whose Designs have not only been disappointed, and their Force repell'd, but by the continued Successes in the Field, the taking of *Buda* and several other important Places; that Kingdom has been almost entirely deliver'd from that intolerable Yoke they so long groan'd under. His Majesties next Concern and Application has been, to relieve those distracted Countries, and to provide convenient Remedies, that the Miseries and Calamities they have hitherto labour'd under, might be prevented for the Future. In order to which, his Majesty is perswaded, there could be nothing more grateful to them, or more effectual to the purpose intended, than a convening of a General Assembly of the States of the Kingdom, and the proposing to them the most Serene Prince the Archduke *Joseph* for their King, under whose auspicious Influences (blessed by the Divine Goodness,) a Peace and Calm may descend upon these Provinces to be continued to After-Ages. And though his Majesty knows what Rights he could pretend by Conquest, and how justifiable it would be, to make what Alterations he thought fit in the Constitutions of a Country recover'd from an Enemy, by his own Arms, after so many Years of possession; yet his Majesty who has always consider'd them as his Subjects, and values nothing more in his Victory, than the opportunity it gives him to set them at Ease, and make them sensible of the difference there is between being govern'd by a rightful Sovereign, or an oppressive Usurper, is willing to restore to them the free enjoyment of all their Laws and Privileges, as far as may be consistent with the Nature and Principles of Government, and this to be confirm'd to them by the Oath of the new King; as also that these be annex'd to the Crown, under some few Restrictions and Qualifications, the dismembred parcels of the Kingdom to be govern'd by the same Law with the rest. And what