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YOU had an Account in our last, of the 31th of January, of the State of things here; and that the Soldiers in this City began to be very mutinous again, and to Cabal against the Visier. Since that (their Suspicions daily increasing, upon Changes made of the Janifar-Aga, and several other Officers) the chief Mutineers met at the Visiers House, and with menaces and greater Insolencies than formerly, demanded the removal of *Kuperli* the *Caimacan*; saying that he was as bad a man as his Father, who had spilt too much blood and ruined the Empire. The Visier thinking himself unable to resist these People, seemed to concur with them in all they ask'd, and ordered a Galley immediately to transport *Kuperli* to the Castles of the *Dardanelles*; and did not only at their desire put out several other Officers, and give the chief of the Rebels their places, but also renewed a solemn Oath with them, to stand by them, and never to be their Enemy; And the Spahis and Janifar-Aga took a like Oath to stand by each other. The Visier had now put out the Horfes Tails, the usual sign of their approaching march into the Field; But having been forced to remove his Brother-in-Law *Kuperli*, and having no Body that in his absence he could trust in a place of so great importance more safely than his own *Kia* (one *Shaban* Aga) he designed to make him *Caimacan*, and to make *Zulficar Effendi* (late *Chiaus Pachi*, who had been turned out by these Mutiniers) his own *Kia*: Which *Tefragi* (the activest and ablest Head of the Rebels) hearing, he told the Visier to his Face, that if he made that man his *Kia*, he would kill him in his presence. The Visier still dissembled these affronts as well as many others, till these Mutiniers by having projected a new Tax of a Sequin to be paid yearly for every Chimney (though for popularity it was ordered that the rich should pay for the poor) as well as by Quartering of Soldiers, Levying of Moneys by extraordinary ways, and several Violences committed had rendered themselves universally odious; And then he resolv'd of executing their Destruction which had been before contriv'd between him and *Kuperli*, and to this purpose he prevailed with the new Janifar-Aga to concur with him: Accordingly on Sunday the 10th instant in the morning, a Hatter (sheriff, or Imperial Order under the Grand Signior's hand was sent to the Janifar-Aga, who assembling all the chief Officers, read it to them to this effect; That *Whereas the Soldiers having lain under many Grievances and long Arrears of their Pay, had chosen some of their Body to obtain a redress thereof; Which having been granted to them, and they fully satisfied in all their just Demands, their Duty was now to be obedient to their Commanders, and to all such as the Sultan should appoint their Officers, and not to meddle in affairs relating to the Government, and that whosoever were refractory should be punished as Rebels, &c.* The Janifar-Aga asked them whether they would be obedient to the Imperial Command. To which the Officers (for it was only the inferior Soldiers who joined with the Mutiniers) answered yes; But *Tefragi* cryed out that he was a Villain and a Rascal that regarded this Order; Whereupon the Janifar-Aga calling him Infidel and Traytor, caused him to be carryed into an inner room, where he was killed and his Body thrown out before the Gate. After which the Janifar-Aga went to the Visier to give him an account of what was done, who was well satisfied, thinking the business ended, this being the chief man, who kept the Janifar-Aga and Spahis united, and presently sent the *Tefterdar* (or chief Treasurer) to seal up his House in order to the Consecration of his Estate, as also the Houses of several others of the chief Rebels; Wherein the Visier committed a great oversight in not securing their Persons first. Upon this one *Haggi Ali* (a Companion of him that was killed) fearing the same Fate instantly advised the rest of the Mutiniers, and stirred up the ordinary Janifar-Aga, minding them of the many Oaths they had taken with the Spahis to stand by each

other; So that they assembled at the *Hippodrome*, where the Janifar-Aga coming to appease them; the said *Haggi Ali* told him, You have murdered our Companion, and endeavoured to sow Dissentions among us, and striking him on the Head with his Scimiter, he was immediately cut to pieces. This Janifar-Aga was an Armeniani Renegado; And it's said he was found uncircumcised.

Hereupon the Tumult with great numbers of the Rabble increased, and they went to the *Tefterdar's* House; which they ranfack'd, taking a considerable sum of Money prepared for the Soldiers Pay; From thence they went and assailed the Visier in his House, who defended himself valiantly, having got the *Tefterdar*, the *Captain Bassa*; and a considerable number of Friends and Servants with him; Thrice he repul'd them, till thinking to pacifie them he sent for the *Mufti* (who was with the *Mutiniers*) and gave him the Seals, desiring him to deliver them to the Grand Signior, that he might make another Visier if he thought fit; Which disheartned his own People; seeing he had reneged his Office, so that many deserted him; The *Captain Bassa* and the *Tefterdar* also made their escape; But it had no effect on the Soldiers, who in hopes of Plunder fell on more fiercely and broke into the House; Then the Visier would have retired by a back Stairs, but was pursued; and by *Haggi Ali* shot with a Pistol, and by others wounded in the Belly so that his Guts fell out; He had fought courageously, and had killed several with his own hand; Neither could he be perswaded to get away in time; saying, he could not live long, and would not abandon his Wife and Children to the rage of these People; There were above 50 of the Soldiers killed before they entered his House; which they spoiled even to the Windows and Doors; His Wife (the Daughter of old *Kaperli*) gave them her Jewels, but they treated her very inhumanly, and wounded her, upon which 'tis said she miscarried and is since dead; His Eldest Daughter not delivering her Pendants quickly they cut off her Ears with them, and a younger Daughter with a Slave they took away and sold for 6 Dollars. This Tumult lasted till Monday early in the morning, when the Rebels seem'd to be absolute Masters, there being no Visier, Janifar-Aga, or any left that had authority with them. But a small accident ruined these men; who had Domineer'd now for 5 Months, pardoning or killing; raising or turning out whom they pleas'd.

In some of the Shops of the City 4 of these Janifar-Agas took away several Handkerchiefs and other small things that were there to be sold; Upon which an Emir (which is one of their Religious Men, who pretending to be of the Race of *Mahomet* wear Green Turbants the colour of their Prophet) encouraging the Shop-keepers, they fell on them, and killed 2 of them, and the Emir putting a linnen Cloth on a stick, and lifting it up, cryed, let all true Muslemen come to the *Seraglio*, and in that the Grand Signior to put out the Prophets Standard and destroy these Rebels. Upon this, great number of the Citizens got together and went to the *Seraglio*, which incouraged the Grand Signior and those within; And about Noon the Standard was set up and proclaimed in the streets; The Reverence paid to this brought an incredible concourse of People; for whoever repairs not to it, is by the Law an Infidel; and the facts divorced from his Wife, and Persons of all condition; even the oldest and most decrepit, think it a point of Conscience to shew their Obedience by a personal Appearance; tho' they are not able to serve. Then a *Sheicke* (one of their Preachers) (spoke from the *Seraglio* Wall to the People, and ask'd them thrice, if they were content with their present Emperor? To which with 3 great shouts they answered, Yes, Let the Sultan live; and the Rebels be destroyed. So Orders were given to seize them, and they found 13 of them and cut them to pieces, the rest having fled and hid themselves. The *Mufti* also was changed, as being united with the Mutiniers, and he that was lately Deposed, restored. All that night great numbers of the People remained about the *Seraglio*. But the next day, Tuesday the 21th, all was as quiet as if nothing had happened, only Proclamation was made to search for the Rebels, and that day and since many of them were found and executed immediately.