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WE have now received a more particular and perfect Relation than has been yet published of the Conquests the Imperial Forces have lately made on the South side of the *Danube*. After the Defeat of the Turks at *Nissa*, General *Piccolomini*, who was sent out with a Detachment of Horse and Dragoons, possessed himself of *Precochia*, towards the Frontiers of *Bosnia*; the Palanque of *Mustapha* Bassa, and of *Prot*; the last of these places being within two days March of *Sophia*; and having left good Garisons therein, and ordered some Works to be cast up for their security, he returned to *Nissa*. On the 6th of *October* Prince *Louis* of *Baden* marched from thence with the Imperial Forces, except those that were left under the Command of General *Piccolomini*, and advanced towards the *Danube*: The Enemy, upon the news of his March, abandoned *Orsova* and *Ferizlau*, and retired to *Widin*, (situated on the *Danube*, near the River *Tinock*, about 15 German Miles from *Nissa*) where Prince *Louis* arrived on the 14th, and having defeated 7 or 8000 Turks that were posted near the place, with the loss of above 2000 of the Enemy and 3 or 400 of our Men, took the Town by Assault the same day, and the Castle upon Articles on the 19th; the Garison being conducted to *Nicopolis*. In the mean time General *Piccolomini* took *Lescovarx*, a Pass that secures all the little Valleys towards *Bosnia* and *Albania*; and after two days March entered into the fertile Country of *Cossway*, and having obliged *Momur* Bassa, who had with him 5 or 6 thousand men, to retire from thence, made himself Master of *Prissina*, which is a large City, situated in the mid-way between *Nissa* and *Uscopia*: Hither it was that the Greeks of *Albania*, who are called by several names, as *Arnottes*, *Clementins*, and *Rossaviens*, sent Deputies to him to demand the Emperor's Protection, with an Offer of paying him the same Tribute they had before paid to the Turks. After this, General *Piccolomini* sent out Detachements, who took *Novi Bordo* or *Monte Novo*, situated on the Mountain *Hemus*, in a Passage that leads from the Country of *Cossway* towards *Sophia*; and two Castles on the Frontiers of *Bosnia*; and advanced himself towards *Kazanekke*: which he found abandoned: He left there his Baggage, and his Vanguard having defeated Three hundred Turks, who had been sent from *Uscopia* to reinforce the Garison of *Kazanekke*, he passed with great difficulty a Desile 8 German Miles in length, and entered into the large Plains of *Uscopia*, a great and heretofore very populous City, situated about 30 German Miles from *Nissa*, and at the like

distance from *Thessalonique*, the Capital of *Macedonia*. The Inhabitants fled so soon as they heard of the approach of our Troops; and *Momur* Bassa, who was retired thither, and had posted himself with 6 or 7000 men to cover the place, after some skirmishing being deserted by the greatest part of his men, followed their example. The Town being of a great extent, and only secured with an old Wall, it was not thought fit to leave any Troops there; so the General ordered it to be burnt, and then returned to *Kazanekke*, a fortified place, into which he put a good Garison, with Directions to raise some new Works for its greater Strength. Here General *Piccolomini* divided his Forces, ordering the Duke of *Holstein* to march with his Regiment and that of *Hanouer* towards *Pation*, situated at the foot of Mount *Hemus*, and marching himself on the first of *November* towards *Lippian*; from whence he detached Col. *Straffer* with 6 Pieces of Cannon to attack the Castles of *Zwerzey* and *Panza*, situated at the Entrance into *Bosnia*. On the 2d he was seized with a Fever; however he continued his March, with his own Regiment, the Dragoons of *Serrum*, and two Pieces of Cannon, towards *Albania*: The third he made a Halt at *Copuscime*, where he understood that our Troops had taken the Castle of *Panza*, but that the other Castle before mentioned was of that strength that they could not attack it without Cannon; whereupon Orders were sent to Colonel *Straffer* to give over that Design, and to return to his Government at *Prissina*. The 4th General *Piccolomini* continued his March towards *Albania*, notwithstanding he was under a great Indisposition, and arrived the 6th at *Prisseran*. Upon his approach to the Town the Archbishop of that City, with the Patriarch of the *Clementins* and a great number of the Inhabitants, came in Procession to meet him, and having Congratulated his Arrival and their own Deliverance from the Ottoman Yoke, they marched at the head of our Troops towards the City, near which were drawn up 5000 *Arnottes*, *Clementins*, and other Christians of that Country, very well armed; who, as the General passed by, saluted him with a treble Discharge of their Fire-Arms. The 7th the General's Illness encreasing, he sent for the Duke of *Holstein* to come and command the Forces. On the 9th General *Piccolomini* died at *Prisseran*, and the Duke of *Holstein* took upon him the chief Command; who having received advice that the Bassa of *Uscopia* was encamped with 6000 men near *Stippe*, resolved to march thither with his own Regiment, that of *Hanouer*, and the Dragoons of *Cziacki*; which he executed with so great secrecy and diligence, that he marched 16 miles, and arrived at break of day within sight of the Enemy's Camp before they had any notice of his March. Our Troops advanced immediately, and charged the Turks, who

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