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THE 23d instant the Prince of *Lichtenstein*, Envoy Extraordinary from the Emperor, had Audience of the Pope concerning the Promotion of Cardinals, which will be made some time the next month; when, according to the general Discourse, nine Persons will be advanced to that Dignity, and two reserved in *Petto*. The 24th arrived here a Count from *France*; whereupon the French Ambassador demanded an Audience, which he had the next day, about the Differences depending between the two Courts; on which Subject the Cardinal of *Bouillon* had this week a long Conference with the Cardinal of *Spinola*. Upon the News of the Abbot of *Crosby's* being taken by a Spanish Party in his Passage through the Dutchy of *Mantua*, and carried Prisoner to the Castle of *Malta*, the Pope has desired the Spanish Ambassador to employ his Offices for the obtaining his Liberty. This day began here the Divertisements of the Carnival.

Venice, Febr. 3. The Troops of *Wurtemberg*, *Bavary*, and *Hesse Darmstadt*, are to continue in the Service of this Republick; and it's said, that with the Recruits which are going to be raised, they will be made up to 7000 Men. The Senate is likewise treating with some other Princes for 5 or 6000 Men more. The Gallies that brought hither the Doge *Morosini*, are revisiting with all diligence in order to their being sent back to the *Levant*: From whence we have at present no other News, than that the Captain-General *Cornaro* makes Preparations for an early Campaign.

Augsburg, Jan. 30. On the 25th instant the Coronation of the King of the Romans was proclaimed by the Mar- chial of the Empire, and all Persons concerned in the Solemnity were required to give their Attendance the next day. They met accordingly on the 26th about eight in the morning at the Bishop's Palace; whither the Emperor and the King went *incognito*, and there habited themselves. About ten the Deputies of *Nuremberg* and *Aix la Chapelle* brought to the Cathedral Church the Regalia and Imperial Ornaments, which were laid on a Table on the North side of the Altar, covered with red Velvet; About 11 the Crown of the Emperor *Charles IV.* was carried by some Ecclesiasticks on a Cushion to the Bishop's House. At twelve the Procession began; first went the Electors Servants, the Electors, Emperors, and King's Gentlemen, Noblemen carrying the Crown, Scepter and Globe; next the Princes, who are not Regents or Sovereigns, the Princes Regents, the Heralds, the Electors Marshall, the Plenipotenariaries of *Saxony* and *Brandenburg*, the Electors of *Bavaria* and *Palatine*, the Marshal of the Empire, the Emperor with all the Imperial Habits, viz. The Pluviale, Toga, Sandals and Gloves; the King in the Hungarian Habit and Crown, each attended by his Officers of State; the Ecclesiasticks meeting the Emperor at the Church Door: (the Emperors and the two Electresses of *Bavaria* and *Palatine* were in a Gallery *incognito* to see the Solemnity :) The Emperor was seated on his Throne, and the King on that which was provided for the Emperess at her Coronation, *Mentz* placed himself under a Canopy on the South-side of the Altar, and the rest of the Electors in the same Order as at the former Coronation; behind the King of *Hungary* sat, on three Velvet Stools, the Abbots of *Brixen*, *Fulda*, *Far*, on three Velvet Stools, the Primars of *Hungary* and *Campan*, and behind them the Primars of *Hungary* alone; on the Right Hand of the Throne sat, on Stools, 16 Priests, nine of them Princes of the Empire, each having on his Mitre, and the Conductor and Canons of the Church were seated near the Quire; then *Triers* presented the King to *Mentz* to be Crowned, who led him to the Altar attended by all the Clergy, and having sung the Anthem, *Ecce mitro*,

Ecce they return'd to their Places. On each side the Emperor stood the Princes of *Dietrichstein* and *Swartzenburg*, Count *Papenheim* held the Sword naked next the Altar, and by him stood the Noblemen with the Regalia; by the Elector of *Mentz's* Throne stood his Officers, twelve Ecclesiasticks, one holding his Cross, another the Crozier, a third the Mace of Arch-Chancellor with the Seals of the Empire, a fourth took off and put on his Mitre, *Ecce Triers* also had a Cross and Crozier born before him, but *Cologne* only had a Cross. Then Mass was sung, 'till the Gospel came to be read, at which time *Mentz*, with the Crozier in his Hand, and Mitre on, approached the Altar, to whom the King was led by *Triers* and *Cologne*, his Governor and the Prelates still following, and a Cloth of State and Cushion being laid, the King kneel'd down, and was ask'd by *Mentz*, *Whether he would profess the Catholick Religion, defend the Church, administer Justice, extend the Empire, protect the Widows and Fatherless, Honour the Pope, &c.* To all which the King answered, *I will*, laying two Fingers upon the Book of the Evangelists, which was brought from *Aix*; then the Elector of *Mentz*, turning to the Princes and Prelats who were present, demanded, *Whether they would Obey this Prince, and establish his Throne?* To which they answering, *Fiat, fiat*, *Mentz* pronounced the Benediction over him, and proceeded to anoint him, the *Brandenburgh* Ambassador assisted by the King's Chamberlain presenting the Oyl, He anointed his Head, Neck and Shoulders, Right Arm and Breast, with these Words, *I anoint the King with this Holy Oyl, &c.* then he was led out to the Vestry, to have the Oyl wiped off, accompanied by *Triers*, *Cologne*, *Bavaria* and *Palatine*; in the mean time a large Gold Basin and Ewre was brought to *Mentz* to wash; the King being return'd, the Deputies of *Nuremberg* and *Aix* brought the Regalia from the Table; the Elector of *Bavaria* drew *Charlemagne's* Sword and gave it to *Mentz*, who with a particular Form of Words, presented it to the King, put the Ring on his Finger, the Scepter in his Right hand, and Globe in the Left, and the Crown on his Head, using every time the prescribed Words; when the Crown was put on, all the Electors put to their Hands; the King gave the Globe to *Bavaria*, the Scepter to the *Brandenburgh* Ambassador, and the Sword to *Saxe*, and the Deputies of *Nuremberg* paced the Mantle or Pluviale of *Charlemagne* on his Shoulders, and thus he was led to his Throne; after which *Triers* presented the Book of the Gospel to be killed by the Emperor and King, the King went then to the Offertory alone, where *Mentz* presented the Patin to be killed, on which he offered a piece of Gold. After this *Mentz* blessed the Censer, and *Triers* incens'd the Emperor and King. The King being again placed in the Throne, Count *Papenheim* standing on his Right Hand with the Imperial Sword, they went on with Mass, and at the Elevation the Protestant Ambassadors and Princes retired; after Mass the King went again to the Vestry, attended as before, the Elector *Palatine* carrying his Crown, after some stay, he return'd in this Order, The *Saxe* Ambassador with the Globe, *Brandenburgh* the Scepter, and all the Electors, except *Mentz*, in their Places; then he was seated in the Chair of *Charlemagne*, *Mentz* pronouncing the usual Form of Words, and *Te Deum* was sung with Musick; after which the Ecclesiastical Electors and Princes retired to put off their Pontificals; in which time the new King, with *Charlemagne's* Sword, Knighted Two and twenty Persons; and two Canons, with the Sindick of the Chapter of *Aix*, and the Deputies of the Town, took the usual Oath to him. The ill Weather, which happened that day, spoiled the Solemnity of the Procession to the Town-house, whither they were forced to go in Coaches: When they were come to the