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From the Venetian Camp near Vallona, Sept. 19.

**O**N the 18th of the last Month, the Captain-General *Cornaro* set Sail with the Fleet from *Napoli di Malvasia*, having detached 16 Men of War and 2 Fireships under the Command of Signior *Delfino* to observe the Enemies Fleet, and left a good number of Troops, commanded by General *Navigier* to guard the *Isthmus of Corinth*. The winds proved very contrary, so that 'twas the 10th of this Month before we arrived in sight of *Corfu*, the 10th we anchored near *Saffno*, the weather being very Tempestuous, by which our Ships and Gallies received some Damage. The 12th we sailed towards *Vallona*. The Turks in the mean time had drawn together about 7000 Foot and 1500 Horse, to oppose our descent, notwithstanding which it was resolved to Land on the 13th, and all things were disposed accordingly. The Enemy were drawn up near the *Strand*, and fired very smartly upon our Men, as they approached towards the Shore. The Chevalier *Gimmetines* General of the Troops of *Malta*, was the first that Landed with his Battalion, and was presently followed by the rest of the Forces; the Cannon of our Gallies playing upon the Enemy all the while; The Turks hereupon fled to the Hills; and our Forces formed themselves without any disturbance; The General *Guadagne* took the Main Body, Serjeant General *Spaw* the Right, and Serjeant General *Borri* the Left, Serjeant General *Rapetta* commanded the Reserve, and Signior *Francisco Grimani*, Provéditore General of the Field, assisted where his Presence was necessary. In this order we began our march, and driving the Enemy from the Hills, advanced to a great Bourg called *Canina*, situated on a Hill, and defended by a Castle being about 3 Miles from *Vlona*. The Capt. General *Cornaro* came in the Evening into the Camp, gave Orders for approaching nearer to the place, caused a Battery to be raised of 2 Pieces of Cannon, and at the same time sent our strong Detachements to disperse the Enemy, who had posted themselves not far from thence, which they effected. In the Night we took the Bourg of *Canina*, by Assault, and fixed our Miners to the Wall of the Castle. The next Morning the Turks hung out a white flag, and proposed Conditions, which the General would not grant them, but at last it was agreed, that they should march out with their Arms and Baggage: Accordingly they surrendered the place on the 15th, the Garison consisted of 550, and the Inhabitants that went out with them, were near 4000 Men, Women, and Children. In the mean time our Galeasses plaid their Cannon and the Palanders their Bombs upon *Vlona*, which is fortified with a good Wall and Ditch; and on the 16th the Captain-General sent a Summons to the Bassa of this place, who said he would return an Answer the next day, but in the night he retired with the Garison, and their best Goods, so that the Officer that was sent the next Morning with a new Summons, found the Gates open. On the 18th the Captain-General made his Entry into the Town, and caused *Te Deum* to be sung in the Principal Mosque. In these two Places were found 134 pieces of Cannon of all sorts, with considerable quantities of Ammunition. We have likewise taken 3 Standarts and a Horfes Tail; and in all this Expedition have not had above 100 Men killed, and 300 wounded. The Serjeant-General *Borri*, who commanded the Popes Troops, was killed, the Chevalier *de Gemetines*, General of the Battalion of *Malta*, the Chevalier *de Benoit*, the Count *de San Felice*, and some others, were wounded. From hence the Captain-General intends to go towards *Durazzo* and *Dulcigno*. The Fleet he has with him is composed of 19 men of War, 3 Fireships, and as many Palanders, six Galeasses, 22 Gallies, 24 Gallions or Brigantines, 10 Feluccas, and 50 Transport Vessels, besides the Popes Gallies and

those of *Malta*; and the Land Forces consist of 9000 Foot and 900 Horse, besides a great many Voluntiers.

*Lemberg in Poland, Sept. 21.* The Letters from our Army of the 16th Instant, tell us, that a Council of War having been held, and consideration had of the great difficulties which their march into *Valachia* would be subject to at this time of the year, when the ways are, by reason of the great Rains become almost unpassable, and Forage is grown very scarce; it was resolved to change their first design, and to send only a detachment of 800 Foot and 300 Horse, with 8 pieces of Cannon towards *Valachia*, with Orders to possess themselves of *Mirme* and *Szaczaw*, and to remain there this Winter; That they marched accordingly on the 13th, the *Sieur Zabolsky* with 6000 Horse and Dragoons being sent with them, to cover them in their march; and that at the same time the rest of the Army advanced towards *Bukowine* to be the better able to second these detachments, if there should be occasion, where they will continue till the return of that commanded by the *Sieur Zabolsky*; and then the Forces will be put into their Winter Quarters. Just now arrive Letters of the 19th, which say, that *Sultan Nuradin* was come with a Body of Tartars to *Ceorgee*; and that our Army upon the news of it hastened their march to *Bukowine*, to assist the *Sieur Zabolsky* if it should be needful. There is a report that the Cham of *Tartary* is dead.

*Warsaw, Octob. 2.* We hear from *Gracow* that an Express was passed through that City, going to the Court of *Poland* with the Emperor's Ratification of the Treaty of Marriage between the Prince of *Poland* and the Princess Palatin of *Neubourg*.

*Vienna, Octob. 15.* The Letters from *Belgrade* of the 6th Instant gave an account, that on the 3 Instant the Turks again furiously assaulted our Redoubts, but were repulsed with great loss; on the 4th they gave 3 other vigorous Assaults to the said Redoubts, and made themselves Masters of one of them, but were soon beaten out again by General *Aspremont*; on the 5th the Enemy retook the same Redoubt, and advanced to the Passades of the Town; but the Besieged fallying out presently after, once more beat back the Enemy, and recovered all they had gained; But after all this Bravery, an Express arrived here last night, with the unhappy news of the taking of the Town by Storm, and that all the Garison was put to the Sword, except the Duke *de Croj*, who had the chief Command, General *Aspremont*, and about 300 more, who found means to escape by water. This misfortune is said to have been occasioned by one of the Enemies Bombs falling into and firing our Magazine, which blew up above 1000 of the Garison; during the astonishment and confusion of which accident, the Turks stormed the Place in 4 several places, and at last entred it, tho' with the slaughter of a great number of their Men. We have an account from *Upper Hungary*, that Col. *Schelick* had cut off 500 Turks of the Garison of *Great Waradin* (who were sent to attack the Castle of *Bellemseck*) and taken two pieces of Cannon which they had with them. We have nothing new from *Transylvania*. The Elector Palatine parted from hence yesterday, towards *Neubourg*.

*Francfort, Octob. 22.* The Swedish Auxiliary Troops are come back from the Palatinare, and having repassed the River *Main* at *Hochst* and *Schaffembourg*, are returning towards *Pomeran* and *Bremen*, in order to go into their Winter Quarters.

*Cologne, Octob. 24.* The Landgrave of *Hesse Cassel* arrived here the 21st instant from his Camp at *Bullinguen*; and the same day gave notice to the States of this Diocesis assembled here, that his Troops

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