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TIs almost three years that a very violent Distemper has raged among us, of which many of the Inhabitants, as well as Strangers who arrived here, have Died in that time: But now it has pleased GOD to stop his Afflicting Hand, and we have reason to turn our Humiliations into a day of Thanksgiving, this Island being at present in a perfect State of Health, and in a very flourishing Condition.

Rome, March 21. The Cardinal de *Fouquet* had again Audience of the Pope on Monday last, and afterwards a Conference, by his Order, with several Cardinals, about the Business of the French Bishops, but without making any great Progress, that we can hear of, in that matter, which continues still on the same Foot. The last Week, the Count *Stamps*, Deputy from *Milan*, had Audience of the Pope, and among other Things, Prayed him to fill the Archbishoprick of *Milan*, which has been Vacant ever since the Death of the Cardinal *Fisconti*; to which he received a very favourable Answer, the Pope declaring that he would very suddenly Name one to that See, who would be very acceptable to them, and that he intended at the same time to make him a Cardinal, as his Predecessor was; which has very much increased the Expectation and Hopes of several Persons, that there will be very suddenly a Promotion of Cardinals.

Milan, March 25. Our Governor the Marquis de *Lezanze* parted from hence on Saturday last, to perform a Vow to our Lady of *Loretto*; and after his return his Excellency intends to take another Journey to *Turin*, to Confer with General *Caprara*, and the other General Officers about the Affairs of the Campaign, which if we may believe what is generally said here, will be opened with the Siege of *Casal*. In the mean time his Excellency has ordered a general Review to be made of the Troops of this State, which, for their greater Convenience, will be done in the several places where they are at present quartered.

Venice, March 27. The Doge has declared that he will depart on the 4th of *May* for the *Levant*; and in the mean time a great Convoy is preparing here, which will Sail in 8 or 10 days.

Turin, April 7. His Royal Highness has lately had again two regular Fits of a *Tertian* Ague; and now they begin to talk doubtfully of his going to *Chieri*. All things continue very quiet on this side. The *Vaudois* did some time ago put the *Vallies of Pragelas* and *Keiras* under Contribution, and have within these few days received a Message from thence, that the same shall be punctually paid, according to what was agreed on. The French are Building a new Fort in the Valley of *Perouse*, but the Work goes on very slowly. The Count de *Waldstein*, Envoy Extraordinary from the Emperor, will part from hence the next Week on his return to *Vienno*.

Madrid, April 4. Several new raised Troops are marched this Week towards *Catalonia*; from whence an Express arrived here on the 2d instant, with advice, That the Forces on that side were drawing together in order to some Enterprize against the Enemy. The last Week Died here the Marquis de *Villa Manriques*. The Gallions designed for *New Spain* will depart from *Cadix* in *September* next.

Corunna, April 11. The Merchant Ships that were lately at *Vigo*, bound for *Oporto*, arrived there the 20th of the last Month, being in all 19 Sail, English and Dutch, under the Convoy of Their Majesties Ship the *Bonadventure*, who having seen them over the Bar, Sailed for *Leisbon*.

Vienno, April 8. A great quantity of Provisions and Ammunition has been sent to *Upper Hungary* for the use of the Troops, who are to be employed under General *Herser*, in the attacking of *Gyula* and *Jeno*, before the main Army is formed on the *Danube*; in order whereunto the necessary Preparations are making at the same time; General *Archinto* is Commanded to march with 11 Regiments towards *Essecke* and *Peter Waradin*, to reinforce the Imperial Troops, who are already posted on that side; And the Fleet of Gallies and Barks will be ready by the beginning of the next Month to attend the Motions of the Army. The last Letters from *Croatia* tell us, That the Troops, under the Command of *Michael Vidakovich*, had made an Incursion into the *Slavonian* Territories as far as *Beszer*, where they met and defeated a strong Party of *Turks*, and took divers Prisoners.

Hailberg, April 14. The Imperial Commissaries are making a great Magazine here for the Confederate Forces that are to act on the *Rhine*. We continue to work on the Fortifications of this City, which will be finished in a short time; and its said they are going to fortify *Hailbron*.

Frankfort, April 15. Prince *Lewis* of *Baden* is now at *Esslingen*, and has held several Conferences with the Count de *Thunzen*, (who for that purpose went lately thither from *Nientz*, of which place he is Governor) and other General Officers of the Imperial and Confederate Forces, to regulate the Preparations for the Campaign, towards which, the Circles of *Franconia* and *Swabia* do contribute with the more Cheerfulness, because of the Assurance that has been given them, That Prince *Lewis* shall Command on the *Upper Rhine* this Campaign. They continue to make Provision here and at other places in these parts for the Subsistence of the Saxon Troops, who are coming towards the *Rhine*. We hear that the French provide great Magazines in *Alsace*; And it's confirmed that they are drawing most of their Cavalry from *Dauphine* and *Piedmont* towards *Germany*.

Cologne, April 17. Prince *Lewis* of *Baden* is expected here in few days in his way towards *Holland*, having Orders from the Emperor to go and wait upon His Majesty of *Great Britain*, so soon as he heard of His Majesty's arrival there. The Troops of *Cologne*, with those of the Elector *Palatine*, will now very shortly begin their march towards the *Moselle*; and its said that a Detachment will be made out of the latter, to serve this Summer in *Hungary*. They write from the *Upper Rhine*, That the Germans are going to Retortice *Manheim* and *Frankensai* in the *Palatinate*.

Hamburg, April 17. We have an account from *Dresden* by Letters of the 13th instant, That the Elector of *Saxony* is gone to *Torgau*, where he has appointed a General Review of his Forces, which are afterwards to march towards the *Rhine*, consisting of 12000 Men.

Paris, April 17. The French Kings Journey remains fixt for the 14th of the next Month; and in all appearance it will be towards *Flanders*; whither Monsieur *Vauban*, who came lately from *Piedmont*, is now Commanded, and has already sent away his Baggage. The Letters from *Provence* give an account, That the Count d'*Estree*, who Sailed from the Isles of *Hieris* on the 12th of the last Month with 22 Men of War, several Bomb Ketches, Fireships, &c. for the Coast of *Naples*, having failed in his design against the Spanish Fleet (which he found in so good a Posture, that it was resolved at a Council