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Naples, May 4.

The Gallies of this Kingdom and of *Sicily* are fitting out in order to join with the other Spanish Squadrons. Six hundred Men are ordered to be sent from hence to reinforce the Garison of *Final*. The Mountain *Vesuvius* has not now for several days cast out any more Flames, so that the People of that Neighbourhood begin to be somewhat at ease again.

Genova, May 8. On the 4th Instant parted from hence the Duke of *Turfs* with 4 Gallies of his Squadron to join the other 3 at *Naples*. We have Advice from *Provence*, that the French Men of War and Gallies would be ready to Sail about the 14th or 15th of this month; and that the French have removed the Magazines they had at *Nizza* and *Villa-Franca* to *Marseilles* and *Toulon*.

Venice, May 14. By a Vessel which arrived here two days ago from *Napoli di Romania* we have advice, that the Captain General *Antonio Zen* lay ready to sail with the Fleet of this State, consisting of 30 Men of War, 30 Gallies, 6 Galeasses, 4 Palanders, 12 Fireships, 30 Armed Barks, and a great many Transport Ships, on which were to embark the Land Forces to the number of about 20000 Men.

Turin, May 16. To morrow are expected here two Princes of the House of *Brandenburg*, who bring with them 3000 Men to serve in his Royal Highness's Army this Campagne. Some of the German Troops that have had their Winter Quarters in *Monferrat*, are come to *Moncalier*; The rest are on their march; and by the end of this month 'tis believed all our Forces will be encamp'd near this City. We are told that his Royal Highness has resolv'd to put out an Edi&t in favour of the *Vaudois*, and that it will be published in few days. The French Troops do not yet appear in any considerable Body near our Frontiers. The Advices from *France* do all give account of the miserable Condition most of the Provinces of that Kingdom are reduced to; being exhausted by the War, of Men and Money, to which is added, not only a present scarcity of Corn, but the prospect also, by reason of the great Droughts they have had of late, of a bad Harvest this year; And at *Lyons*, and other great Cities, the number of the Poor is so increased, that all the care that has been taken by the Magistrates to make some provision for them proves insufficient, and many Die of want.

Madrid, May 5. The King of *Spain* has declared the Duke of *Montalto Valido* or First Minister of State, which will make some Alteration in Affairs here. On the 22th of the last month two English *East-India* Ships failed from *Cadix*, the *York* and *Charles* Galley being ordered to Convoy them as

far as was thought necessary. On the 25th Four Spanish Men of War were ready to sail from *Cadix* with Soldiers for *Barcelona*; They are to stop at *Gibraltar* and *Malaga* to take in more, which will be in all about 3000 Men. Ten other Regiments, of 1000 Men each, are at the same time marching thither from the several parts of this Kingdom, where they have been raised this Winter. We have Advice from *Sally*, that the King of *Fez* and his Son are marching with an Army of 100000 Men against the *Alegierines*.

Zalkiew, April 27. The Baron *de Meyer*, Envoy Extraordinary from the Elector of *Bavaria*, arrived here some days ago, and has had Audience of the King and Queen of *Poland*, and a Conference with the Chief Ministers of this Court. And 'tis not doubted but the Business he is sent upon will be speedily concluded, notwithstanding the French Ambassador endeavours all he can to oppose it. The Forces of this Crown are ordered to be in a readines to take the Field by the beginning of *June*.

Vicma, May 15. The Imperial Regiments who were quartered in the *Lower-Hungary*, are all on their march to the general Rendezvous, which is appointed at *Baya* near *Essecke*. 'Tis now said again that General *Caprara* is sent for from *Italy* to Command the Emperor's Forces against the *Turks* this Summer; and that under him the Count *de Heydersheim* is to be General of the Horse, and Count *Guido* of *Staremberg* General of the Foot: That Prince *Eugene* of *Savoy* is to Command the Imperial Forces in *Italy*: And General *Veterani* in *Transilvania*. In the mean time the necessary preparations are continued here for opening the Campagne, and great quantities of Ammunition and Provisions are sent down the *Danube* for the use of the Army. They write from *Hermenstadt*, that another Party of 120 Hungarians had deserted *Teckelej*, and were come over to the Imperialists. And some Letters from *Transilvania* say, that *Teckelej* was seized the 28th of the last month at *Passarowitz*, by order of the Grand Signior, and sent Prisoner to *Adrianople*.

Frankfort, May 24. The Confederate Forces continue to assemble near *Hailbron*, where Prince *Lewis* of *Baden* is expected in 2 or 3 days; 'Tis said he has ordered a Camp to be marked out at *Sintzheim*, and that he intends to march thither from the Neighbourhood of *Hailbron*. The French have their Rendezvous near *Landau*; They are baking a great quantity of Ammunition Bread at *Philipsburg*, and several Vessels are of late come thither with Ammunition and other Necessaries for their Forces.

Cologne, May 25. The Troops of *Munster* in Garison here were mustered on Saturday last; and in few days they will march from hence to join

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