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Constantinople, March 16.

On the 12th of January last arrived at *Adrianople* an Envoy from the King of *Poland* to the Han of *Tartary*, of whom he had Audience the 14th, delivering a Letter to him from the King his Master, in answer to the Proposals of Peace, which the Han had made some months before by his Envoy at the Court of *Poland*. On the 18th a Divan was held about this Affair, where it was agreed to by all but the Musli, that *Caminiec* should be demolished, and then restored to the Poles, upon condition that they restore what they are possessed of in the *Ukraine*, and in *Moldavia*; but the Envoy let them know, That the King of *Poland* pretends to keep all he has in possession, and to have *Caminiec* restored in the condition 'tis now; though he declared withal, that he had no power to Treat of these Matters, which would more properly be Negotiated at some place on the Frontiers of *Transylvania* or *Hungary*, where the Ministers of the Emperor, *Poland*, and the Republick of *Venice*, on one side, and the King of the Port on the other, might meet together, with sufficient Powers to Treat and conclude a Peace upon just and reasonable Conditions. On the 4th of February, the Envoy of *Poland* parted again from *Adrianople*. On the 10th, the Tartar Han, whose stay there began to give some Jealousie to the Court, took his leave of the Grand Signior in a Solemn Audience, and was richly presented; and on the 12th he began his Journey homewards. The 15th an Order was given out, commanding all the Venerians to depart out of the Grand Signior's Territories, and to prohibit their Ships from Trading to any Ports in *Turkey*, under any Colours whatsoever during the War; The French Ambassador, after several Solicitations, had an Audience of the Visier to get this Order Revoked, but could not obtain it. On the 19th of February, the Sieur *Heemsterke*, the Dutch Ambassador, had his Audience of Leave of the Visier, and on the 2d of March he parted from *Adrianople* on his return towards *Belgrade*. On the 4th *Mustafa* Bassa, the Grand Visier, was deposed; And he is since made a Prisoner, and his Estate seized; His Successor is not yet declared, but 'tis said, that *Ali* Bassa of *Tripoli di Siria*, is designed for this Office, and that he is accordingly sent for: In the mean time the Janissar Aga is Commanded to take care that good order be kept in the City, and the Caimacan is to hold the Divan, which is for the future to meet twice a week at the *Seraglio*. This Alteration, at a time that the Affairs of this Empire are in so much disorder, occasions new delays in the preparations for the next Campagne, which the Turks designed should have been both greater and earlier than they were the last year; And to this the French Ambassador encouraged them, by assuring them, with the same Truth and Sincerity, which he had shewed in other parts of his Negotiation, that the King his Master would have an Army of 100000 men in *Germany* this Campagne.

This day we receive an account, That Captain *Hely*, Commander of an English Ship of 30 Guns, having brought some Goods to *Smirna* from *Legborne*, and finding nothing ready to return thither, went out of that Port on the 3d instant to seek his Fortune: The same morning

early sailed from thence Captain *Marine*, Commander of a French Ship; and Captain *Teiffere* in another Ship of the same Nation accompanied him half way to the Castles, where Captain *Teiffere* remained a Backstay several hours, and seeing Captain *Hely* turning out, watched an opportunity to bear down upon him, which Captain *Hely* endeavoured all he could to avoid, notwithstanding which the other fell foul on him, and would have provoked him to some Action within the Grand Signior's Port, which he might have taken advantage of, but Captain *Hely* behaved himself with great Prudence and Courage, and having got clear of Captain *Teiffere*, sailed away, and being passed the Castles, stood after Captain *Marine* with all the Sail he could make, and came up with him the next day off Cape *Corburno*, and engaged him, though Captain *Marine's* Ship was of much greater force than his; And on the 7th News was brought to *Smirna*, that at 10 hours Fight, in which Captain *Hely* fired above 200 Cannon Shots, he Boarded the French Ship and took her, and towed her away towards *Isfra*.

Rome, May 8. Yesterday arrived here an Express from *Liege*, with Letters to the Abbot *Petrucci*, the Elector *Palatin's* Agent at this Court, giving an account, That 23 of the Canons of that Church, who did not consent to the choice made by the other 24 of the Elector of *Cologne* to be Bishop of *Liege*, had proceeded to a second Election in favour of the Great Master of the Teutonic Order: We understood at the same time, That the Cardinal *de Bouillon* had made a formal Protestation against the Proceedings of both Parties: And this Matter lies now before the Pope for his Determination. The Cardinal *Negroni* is gone to *Civita Vecchia*, to view the Aqueducts and other publick Buildings that are making for the convenience of Trade, which the Pope is desirous to introduce there. The Popes Gallies will sail the next week for the *Levant*.

Turin, May 12. My Lord *Galway* has been at *Milan* to Confer with the Marquis *de Leganes*, from whence he returned hither on the 6th instant, and he is now going to the Valley of *Prouse* to see in what Posture things are on that side. The Troops of his Royal Highness wait only for Orders to take the Field; which it's believed they will do towards the end of this month, by which time we expect here the Imperial Forces, and those of the *Milantze*, who are all to encamp near this City.

Venice, May 15. The last Letters from *Dalmatia* tell us, That above 800 Families of Morlaques and Greeks, were retired out of the Turkish Dominions, and had put themselves under the Protection of the Republick, the *Proveditore* of *Dalmatia* assigning them Lands in the Parts about *Sign* and *Clin*, which were before uninhabited. The last Advices from the *Morea* say, That the Captain General *Antonio Zen* staid for the arrival of the great Convoy which parted from hence about the end of the last month, designing so soon as he had received that supply, to part with the Fleet from *Napoli di Romania*, upon some considerable Design. We hear that the Turks are drawing all the Troops they can from *Bosnia* and *Albania* to reinforce their Army in *Hungary*, which is the more necessary, because the Troops they expected from *Afia*, cannot be spared out of those Parts, by reason of the Revolt of the Arabs, who appear in great Bodies, and commit much Spoil in the Turkish Territories.

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