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Lisbon, March 15.

THE Queen of Portugal was brought to Bed this day by a Prince; for which Publick Rejoycings are ordered to be made.

Rome, March 26. On Monday last was performed the Ceremony of the Duke of Modena's resigning his Cardinals Cap, in a Conistory held for that purpose. The Pope has been since much indisposed, and considering his great age every Illness he has, is look'd upon to be very dangerous.

Legborne, March 28. We have Advice, that 20 Spanish Barks are arrived at Porto Longone with 2000 Soldiers from Naples bound to Catalonia, and with the present fair Weather 'tis not doubted but they are gone forward.

Turin, April 8. The Confederate Forces that are to be employed in the Siege of Casal have been marching thither ever since the latter end of the last month, and are now posted round the place. The Artillery with great Stores of Provision and Ammunition has been sent to the Camp by the River Po, and 'twas designed to have opened the Trenches 2 or 3 days ago, but it has been deferred because of the ill Weather and the abundance of Snow which has lately fallen. The Duke of Savoy will have the chief Command at the Siege; and they are putting up Wooden Houls for the Principal Commanders of the Army. The French Troops do pass the Mountains, having Orders to assemble near Susa; but we do not hear that they are yet drawn together in any considerable Body.

Venice, April 2. Some days ago we heard by the way of Otranto, that there had been a Battle at Sea between the Venetians and the Turks in the Archipelago; which was confirmed by an Express the Senate received yesterday from the Captain General Zeno; and the Account we have of it is: The Turks having separated their Fleet, that so it might be thought they had laid aside their design upon Scio, on a sudden got together again all their Ships and Gallies, and taking the advantage of a fair Wind bore down upon the Venetian Men of War that lay in the Road of Spalmanari, sending in among them several Fireships, which it's believed were fitted and directed by Frenchmen. The Venetians so soon as they discovered the Enemy, made all the haste they could to get under sail to meet them, and 5 Ships got out, but the Wind calming, the rest, about 17 in number, could not come up in time to relieve them; so that the Enemies whole Force fell in a manner upon the 5 Ships before mentioned, two whereof were burnt, and one sunk, and the other two got into Port again very much shattered. The 19th the Captain General went out with all the Gallies to meet those of the Enemy who he understood were coming towards Scio, and had a Second Engagement with them, in which 7 of the Turkish Gallies are said to have been sunk, and 3 taken, and that one of our Gallies which the Turks had made themselves Masters of, was retaken; 'Tis said likewise that some of our Gallies were destroyed; and that we lost in all between 3 and 4000 Men, and the Turks 10000; but the certain Particulars are not yet known.

After the Fight the Turks returned to Focis, and the Venetians to Scio, where a Council of War being held, it was considered, that our Fleet as well as Land Forces began to be in want of Provisions, the Island not being able to supply them since their communication with Asia was cut off; and thereupon it was resolved to quit it; which was accordingly put in execution, after having blown up the Fortifications; and the whole Fleet returned to Napoli di Romania; from whence the Captain General writ these Letters. The Senate have upon this News ordered a great Supply of all manner of Stores to be immediately sent to the Fleet, and intend with all expedition to dispatch to them a reinforcement of Ships and Men.

Madrid, March 31. We have within these few days had Accounts of two considerable Advantages our Troops lately obtained over the French in Catalonia. And the Particulars of these Actions are thus related in the Letters we receive from thence. The French sent a Detachment of 1200 Men on the 9th Instant from Castell-Folder to raise the Arrears of Contributions which they demanded of the Bourg of Saint Isevan de Bas, and to put the Inhabitants under Military Execution in case they refused to pay the same; Upon notice whereof some of the Spanish Forces were ordered out to protect the Country; who engaged the Enemy, and at last obliged them to retire to a Church which they endeavoured to maintain, but finding they could not, surrendered at discretion; Of the Enemy 260 were killed, 136 wounded, and 690 made Prisoners at War, who were carried to Barcelona, and among them are divers Officers; The rest fled to the Mountains, where the Miquelets and Country People had besieged them, so that wanting Provisions they would be obliged to yield likewise at discretion. The second Action was in this manner; The French who had a good Garison in Blanes, having resolved to abandon it, set the Castle and Town on Fire, without sparing the Church, and were retiring towards Gironne; but the Miquelets with some of the Spanish Troops which the Marquis de Gassanaga had sent to reinforce them, attacked the Enemy in their march, killed 400 of them, took 80 Prisoners, and put the rest to flight. The King of Spain to reward the good services of the Miquelets and Country People, has ordered the Viceroy to distribute 12000 Crowns among them; and a large supply of Money will be speedily sent him for the service of the next Campaign. The Fleet at Cadix is fitting out with all diligence. We have no fresh News from Gouta.

Vienna, April 9. The Imperial Forces are ordered to be at their Rendezvous near Buda by the 20th of the next month. 'Tis generally believed the Command of the Army will be given again to General Caprara. General Petrowi will set out in few days for Transylvania, and it's said he will have Orders to take the Field with the Forces that are quartered in that Country. Prince Lewis of Baden is still here. The Advices from Turkey say, that the present Grand Signior will himself make the next Campaign in Hungary. There has been a Fight at Sea between the Venetians and the Turks in the Levant, in which the Ottomans had at first the advantage, having destroyed 3 of the Venetian Men of War, whom they attacked as they lay in the Road of Spalmanari; but afterwards the Venetians sunk and burnt 7 of the Enemies Gallies, and killed a great number of their Men; and finding they could not keep Scio for want of Provisions, they quitted it, after having blown up the Fortifications.

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