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Rome, Decemb. 12.

THE Pope held this day a Consistory, and made a Promotion of 12 Cardinals; who are, Signior Tanara of Bologna, at present Nuncio at Vienna; Signior Caccia of Milan, Nuncio at the Court of Spain; Signior Cavallarini, a Roman, Nuncio in France; Signior Spinola of Genoua, Governor of Rome; Signior del Verne of Piacenza, Bishop of Fano; Signior Tarugi of Orvieto, Auditor of the Rota; Signior Sacripante of Narni Under Dary; Father Ferrari, Dominican of Milan, Master of the Pope's Palace; Signior Sfrondati, a Benedictine of Milan, and Abbot of St. Gal in Switzerland; Father Noris, Augustine of Verona; Signior Buon Compagno of Bologne, and Archbishop there; and the Marquis d'Arquin, Father of the Queen of Poland: There were in all 14 Vacancies, and the other two the Pope has reserved in Petto.

Turin, Decemb. 12. On the 10th Instant a Party of 300 French belonging to Pignerol, came to Vigone to raise Contributions, and carried away several Hostages for payment of the same. But some of our Troops met the day following another of their Parties, and routed them, killing several upon the place, and bringing away most of the rest Prisoners. Our Officers are very bu sic in making their Recruits. The Lord Viscount Galloway is expected here to morrow from Switzerland.

Venice, Decemb. 17. The last Letters from the Morea give an Account, that the Venetian Fleet continued in that Port, except some light Frigats which the Captain-General had sent out to cruise in the Archipelago. The new Men of War and Gallies are fitting here, and will be ready to sail by the beginning of March, in order to joyn the Fleet; by which time the Officers employ'd in the new Levies are to have them compleat. The Count de la Torre, who has resided here 17 years as Ambassador from the Emperor, died on Monday last.

Vienna, Decemb. 17. Prince Eugene of Savoy has, since his Arrival here, had several Conferences with the Ministers of this Court, about the Affairs of Piedmont, and the Preparations to be made for the carrying on the War on that side. Prince Lewis of Baden is expected here soon after Christmas; and in the mean time he has sent Count Palfi to give the Emperor an Account of the State of things on the Upper Rhine.

The Elector of Saxony will return in few days to Dresden. The Emperor has directed the States of Austria to provide a certain number of Men for recruiting his Troops: And Orders are given for furnishing several Magazines in Hungary, where the Emperor, as we are assured, intends to have a greater Army the next Campaign than he had the last. The Letters from the Turkish Frontiers inform us, that the Sultan has declared he will command his Forces in Person again the next Summer; and that he has sent Orders to the Governors of all the Ottoman Provinces to raise what Men they can for reinforcing his Army against the next Summer. The Marquis d'Aronches, Ambassador of Portugal, prepares for his Publick Entry and Audience; and in the mean time has had a private Audience in the Emperor.

Francfort, Decemb. 25. The Garison of Heidelberg has been lately reinforced; and the Troops of the Allies are so posted near the Neckar and the Rhine, as to protect the Country against the Enemy's Excursions. The French continue their Levies in Alsace, and make Magazines at Strasbourg and Landaw.

Hamburgh, Decemb. 27. The last Advices from Moscow and Poland do all agree that the Moscovites, after having received several Repulses at Asap, had at last been obliged by the Weather to change the Siege into a Blockade; and that Czar Peter was returned to Moscow, resolving to renew the Attack of that place so soon as the Season is proper for it. The King of Poland intends to hold a Diet this Winter at Warsaw.

Paris, Decemb. 26. After several Consultations that have been held at this Court about the Poll-Tax, we hear they have at last resolved to continue it, with some new Regulations which may seem to give Ease to the poorer sort of People, who complain of the intolerable Burthen that lies upon them. There is a Talk that the French King intends to make six new Marshals of France before he declares the General-Officers that are to command his Armies the next Summer. The Marschal de Lorge continues indisposed, insomuch that he is not in a Condition to officiate as one of the Captains of the Guards. The Colonels that have lately received Commissions for new Regiments endeavour all they can to compleat them. Several Regiments of Militia are likewise raising to serve in Garisons. They send Sea-men from Brest, Rochford, and other Ports on the Ocean, to Man their Fleet at Thoulou, which 'tis generally believed will endeavour