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Messina, Jan. 25.

**T**He two Zealand Privateers are preparing to sail from hence with their two rich Prizes, which they took some days ago off *Candia*, being bound from *Scanderoon* to *Barfild*. The Turkey Convoy, which comes in this day, consist of 8 Men of War and two Fire Ships, and 11 Merchantmen; Of the latter, 4 are bound to *Scanderoon*, one to *Smyrna*, one to *Constantinople*, and 5 to *Venice*. We have Advice from *Mulda*, That the great Master had ordered the Gallies of that Order to be in a readiness to sail to the *Levant* by the beginning of *April* at farthest; and that 1500 Land Soldiers would be sent with them to join the Venetian Forces. The Pope's Gallies are to meet them here, that so they may proceed on their Voyage together.

*Leghorne, Febr. 20.* We are informed by a Vessel come from the Coast of *Barbary*, That the Algerines are fitting out a Squadron of Ships to join the Ottoman Fleet in the *Levant*. Captain *Broom*, Commander of the *Mary Rose*, will go out again in few days.

*Venice, Febr. 24.* Several Companies of new raised Soldiers are now at the *Lido*, and others are daily expected from *Italy* and *Germany*, where these Levies have been made, in order to pass with the Convoy that is now fitting here for the *Levant*. The Men of War and Gallies that have been lately built in this Arsenal, are in such forwardness, that 'tis not doubted but they will be ready to sail in time enough to join the Fleet before the opening of the next Campaign. The last Letters from the Captain General were written at *Madrid*, about the middle of the last month, and being an account of the good Condition the Forces of the Republick were in, and that he hoped, with the Reinforcements promised him from hence, to have a sufficient strength to make some considerable attempt upon the *Enemy*. The Advices from *Constantinople* say, The Grand Signior continued his Resolution of going into the Field again the next Summer, and that he endeavoured to get a numerous Army together; and for that purpose Orders had been sent to the Vassals of the several Provinces to furnish all the Men they could; though these they expected from *Affa* were like to be diverted by the Contentions among the Arabians, who are in Arms, and have committed great Spoils upon the *Turks*. The five Merchant Ships that are arrived here from *England*, and last from *Messina*, parted from the Turkey Convoy the 2d instant.

*Paris, Febr. 24.* Every Body Judges by the Preparations that are made here, and in the State of *Milan*, that a very early Campaign is intended on this side; which the Enemy seem, by the *Marschal de Catina's* hasty return from the French Court towards these Frontiers, to apprehend of; And we hear likewise that some of their Troops, whose Winter-quarters were remote, are moving nearer to *Paris*, that they may be at hand if the occasion. Here is a Discourse, That the Duke of *Savoy* intends to go the next week to *Milan*, to Confer with the *Marquis de Legnani* about the Affairs of the War. There arrive Recruits daily from *Germany*, for the Emperor's Forces now in *Italy*.

*Vienna, Febr. 25.* The States of the Emperor's Hereditary Countries having undertaken to furnish the Recruits that are wanted for the Emperor's Forces in *Hungary*, they will be sooner raised, and with more ease to the Country than formerly, and the Officers, who else must have been employed in this Service, may now return to their several Commands; by which means, and the other care that is taken by the Imperial Commissaries to provide Magazines in such places where they may be most useful, 'tis hoped that all things will be in a readiness for the Army to take the Field much earlier this year than it did the last. The Emperor has not yet declared to whom he intends to give the Chief Command of his Forces in *Hungary* the next Summer. In the meantime, *Prince Lewis of Baden*, and *Prince Eugene of Savoy*, continue both at this Court, and are present at all the Councils of War that are held there. The Emperor has given the Command of a Regiment to the Great Master of the Teutonic Order; and 'tis believed he will serve the next Campaign in *Hungary*. The *Portugal* Ambassador has not yet had his publick Audience, at which he is preparing to appear with a very splendid Attendance; They say his Commission to this Court is to offer the King his Master's Mediation for a General Peace.

*Cologne, March 2.* The Brandenburg Forces that are quartered in this Country have finished their Recruits; 'tis said they are to march to sack the *Aluze* when the Season is a little more advanced. The Letters from *France* of the 1st instant tell us, That *Mr. Steynor*, Envoy Extraordinary from the King of *England*, was gone from thence to the Court of the Landgrave of *Hesse*.

*Hamburg, Febr. 21.* All the Advices from *Moscow* say, That they make great Preparations in that Country to continue the War against the Tartars; and 'tis generally believed the Czar will renew the Siege of *Asaf*. The King of *Poland* has been of late often Indisposed, which, considering his Age, occasions great Caballing among the great Men, concerning the future Election. There has happened nothing new lately in the Affair between *Denmark* and *Holstein*; and there is good reason to believe the King of *Denmark* will not think fit to make use of Force to procure the Satisfaction he Demands, seeing the King of *Sweden* and other Princes are resolved