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Venice, May 23. N. S.

THE Senate continues with much application to give the necessary Orders for hastening the Preparations against the approaching Campagne; and several Men of War are fitting out to strengthen our Fleet. By a Ship arrived here from the *Levant* we have Advice, that 4 Men of War belonging to the Coasts of *Barbary* were seen off of Cape *Passaro*, sailing towards the *Archipelago*, in order, as is supposed, to join the Ottoman Fleet: We hear by another Vessel which came from *Napoli di Romania*, having on board Signior *Michieli*, who was Commissioner for paying the Army, That Signior *Priuli*, with the Ships and Convoy under his Command, sailed the 27th past from *Corfou*, where he was joined by 3 Venetian Men of War, with whom he continued his Voyage to the *Levant*. Our Advices from the *Levant* say, the Captain General *Cornaro* stayed only for the arrival of these Convoys to put to Sea, and that all things on our side were ready for opening the Campagne both at Sea and Land. We have an account from *Constantinople*, that the Aga of the Janisaries was assembling the Forces under his Command at the Camp near *Adrianople*, in order to begin their march towards *Sophia*, and that the Grand Signior would be going thither in a short time: And that the Ottoman Fleet would set Sail so soon as the Ships from *Barbary* were arrived. These Letters say, the Turks appear generally very desirous of Peace, and that the Sultan himself shews a great Inclination to it. An Ambassador arrived lately at *Adrianople* from *Perfa*, who had Audience of the Grand Signior. *Warsaw*, May 23. According to the Agreement made at *Lowitz* between the King's Commissioners and the Cardinal Primate, his Eminency came hither yesterday in a very solemn manner, to make his Submission to the King. The Pope's Nuncio, Signior *Paulucci*, began the Match, and after him came above 200 of the most considerable Nobility that were in the Primate's Interests; Then came the Cardinal himself in a Coach covered with Scarlet Velvet, a Cross being carried before him by one of his Chaplains, as likewise a Wooden Staff by the Sieur *Towiansky* Castellan of *Leucici*, his Mareschal, who is a Senator by his Office. Being come into the Kings presence, the Marshal let fall his Staff of Office, but the Cross was kept up all the while. The King was attended by the Crown Marshal *Lubomirsky*, and other great Officers and Persons of Quality, who made a very Noble Appearance, and upon the Cardinal's approach, his Majesty advanced some steps, according to Custom, to meet him, who made a Speech in French Congratulating the King's Accession to the Crown, and Assuring him of his Fidelity, and was Answered by his Majesty in the same Language. Then he presented to the King the Sieur *Pryzemsky* Castellan of *Kalish*, the Marshal of the Rokotz, and several others of the Chief of his

Party; after which the King retired into his Closet, and the Cardinal was there in Private with him near an hour; and afterwards returned to his Palace in the same order that he came. The Articles of the Treaty are not yet made publick, but we are told several Particulars of what passed in the Conferences at *Lowitz*, viz. That the Gentlemen of the Rokots insisted much, That the Primate's Reception should be in the Cathedral Church, where he might, as it were, confirm the King's Election by laying his Hands on him, or at least in the Senate Chamber, in presence of the whole Senate; but the King did not think fit to grant either of these Demands. They would also have stipulated, that the Queen before her coming to *Poland* should declare her self a Roman Catholick, but the King's Commissioners answered, That this being a Matter purely of an Ecclesiastical Concern, it was more proper to leave the same to an Assembly of the Primate, the Nuncio's, and the Bishop's of the Kingdom, which was accordingly agreed on. These Proposals, with some others, which at the beginning of the Meeting had been drawn up to be presented to the King, being thus refused, the Sieur *Kochanowsky*, one of the Deputies from the Palatinate of *Sandomir*, spoke with much earnestness against submitting to the King, but not being able to influence the rest of the Assembly, he protested against their Proceedings and withdrew; which occasioned several Debates, whether this Meeting was not thereby actually dissolved, but it being put to the Vote, it was resolved, That the said Assembly not being in the Nature of a General Dyer, was not subject to the same Rules, and so the Proceedings might go on notwithstanding the said Protest. The greatest care of the King of *Poland's* Ministers at present is to renew the Negotiation for Accommodating the Differences in *Lithuania*, which remains suspended since the late Assault made by Prince *Sapieha's* Men on the Deputies whom the Discontented Nobility of that Dutchy were sending hither. The Preparations for the Campagne go on with great diligence, the King intending to be in the Field by the middle of *June*. We have Advice from the Frontiers, that the Garison of *Gaminice* has lately received a Reinforcement of Soldiers, and a considerable Supply of Provisions and Ammunition. *Vienna*, May 24. Their Imperial Majesties continue at *Luxembourg*, whence they are not expected back till about the middle of *June*. The Proposals for a Peace with the Turks are much talked of here, though the Particulars are not yet certainly known: The German Forces which had their Winter Quarters in the Hereditary Countreys, are ordered to march to *Verismarton*, as likewise those that lay in *Upper Hungary* and *Transilvania*, so that it is believed that Place is designed for their General Rendezvous. In the mean while the Emperor's Fleet on the *Danube* is gathering together, and the Sieur *Assemberg* who is to command the same is daily expected from *Hambourg*, whither he is gone to Lift Seamen for that Service. We

We hear from Prague, that a great part of the Baggage belonging to the Czar of *Moscovy* was arrived there, and the Czar himself was shortly expected. Our Letters from *Hungary* say the Turks are working with great diligence to repair *Vyspallanka*, and that the Bassa of that place has lately received from *Fietflau* a Reinforcement of Men and some Cannon for securing that Post. These Letters add, That the Turks use their utmost diligence in providing for the safety of *Belgrade* and *Temeswar*, and that at the former of these Places they were gathering together a great number of Boats in order to make use of them in laying Bridges over the *Danube* as they shall have occasion.

Cologne, June 3. The Prince of *Hersheyem*, Great Prior of the Order of *St. John's of Malta*, is daily expected here from *Düsseldorf* to hold a Chapter of the Knights of that Order. We hear from *Cleves*, that the Czar and his Retinue arrived there last Friday, and were splendidly entertained by Order of the Elector of *Brandenburg* in his Palace till Sunday morning, when they set forwards for *Vienna*.

Hamburgh, June 3. Our Letters from *Spain* give an Account, That the Marriage between the Duke of *Burgh* and the Princess, Sister to the King of *Spain*, would be Celebrated in few days.

Brussels, June 5. The Baron of *Plessen* is lately arrived here in his way to *Paris*, whither he is going as Envoy Extraordinary from the Bishop of *Münster*; and this day he waited on the Elector of *Brandenburg*. Orders are given for Casting 100 Guineas the A. small of *Münster* for the Service of our Frontier Garisons; and especially 100 that of *Courtray*, which the French retained without Cannon, not having found any there when they took that place. The Spanish Ambassador *Don Queros*, returned hither last night from *Aix la Chapelle*. We have Letters from *Milan* of the 21th of May, which say the Prince of *Vaudemont*, their Governor, was expected there the 23d, and that divers Persons of Quality were gone to meet him.

Hague, June 6. N. S. The Count de *Gous* being appointed to reside here on the part of the Emperor in the room of Count *Stratman* who is recalled, came to this place last Wednesday, and has notified his Arrival. The States-General have it now under Consideration to borrow a Sum of Munny towards paying off the Arrears of the late War. The Envoy of *Morocco* is daily expected here from *Amsterdam*.

Kensington, May 30. This Afternoon his Excellency the Count de *Bohde*, Ambassador Extraordinary from the King of *Sweden*, returned to the Sovereign the Garter and George of his Majesty *Charles the XI. King of Sweden*, deceased, with the whole Habit and other Emblems of the Order (which with he had been Invested *June 1669*) in the manner following.

The Sovereign and Ten of the Knights Companions of the Order, all in their Manes with their Caps, and Feuders, being assembled in the Privy Chamber, the Place appointed for the said Ceremony, and Ranged according to their respective Stalls at *Windsor*, and attended by the 5 Officers of the Order in their Manes, Two of the Senior Knights Companions (attended by the Regiter, Garter and Usher; and by the Officers of Arms) were sent by the Sovereign to introduce the Ambassador into the Chamber, who a little before was brought to *Kensington* in one of his Majesties Coaches; accompanied by the Swedish Retinent and Master of the Ceremonies, and attended by 4 of his Excellencies own Coaches in which were the Gentlemen and others of his Retinue in Mourning, with the Habit and Emblems of the Order, and was conducted to a Room to Repose in: From whence after the said Two Knights Companions had Saluted the Ambassador in the Sovereigns Name, they proceeded thus: First, the Ambassador's Servants, Pages, and Gentlemen of his Retinue, and the Officers of Arms all uncovered, two and two; then Garter King of Arms carrying the Habit and Emblems of the Order between the Regiter and Usher; Lastly, the Ambassador between the Two Knights Companions all covered, followed by the Swedish Retinent and Master of the Ceremonies. As they passed through the Guard Room, the Yeomen stood to their Arms; and in the Presence Chamber the Gentlemen Pensioners attended with their Axes. Being entered the Privy Chamber (after the usual Reverencies) Garter deposited the Habit and Emblems before the Sovereign, and the Two Knights of the Order went to their Places. The Sovereign wearing his Cap and Feathers (as did also the Knights Companions) received the Ambassador standing, who being Covered, and having placed

himself towards the Sovereigns Left Hand, under the Standard, began his Oration in Swedish, in praise of the Sovereign and the Order, but having pronounced the first Paragraph of it only, for Form sake, read a Copy for the whole in French; which ended, Garter stood up, and presented the said Habit and Emblems of the Order to the Ambassador, and the Ambassador to the Sovereign, who delivered them to the Charollor of the Order, and he having received them laid them down, and made a speech in French in answer to the Ambassador's Oration; which done the Ambassador taking Leave of the Sovereign and Companions, was re-conducted in the same manner, and to the same Room from whence he was before brought, where the Two Knights Companions took Leave of his Excellency, and returning to their Places in the Privy Chamber, the Sovereign and Knights Companions proceeded thence to the Council Chamber, where a Chapter of the Garter being held for an Election, his Grace the Duke of *Newcastle* (who in the forementioned Ceremony bore the Sword of State on the Sovereigns Right Hand) was elected a Knight Companion of the said most Noble Order; and being both first Knighted by the Sovereign with the same Sword of State, was invested with the Garter and George, the two Principal Emblems of the said Order, with the usual Ceremonies.

Advertisements

There is now published a new Edition of the Poems of *David in Metro*, added to the Translated Poems of *John Patrick*, D.D. in which Edition the Tables for the Month are added to the Poems. I find for a Copy, Churchill at the Black-Swallow in Mother Row, and L. Martin at the Star in St. Pauls Church-yard.

Aurifer Ford, Foot-boy, aged about 16, in a red coat and vest, set run away from his Master the 20th of May last, with 3 Silver Castors having 2 Coats of Arms, 3 Gilt Heads and 3 Bulls Heads, and 2 Silver Spoons marked T. D. P. Whoever gives notice of the same to Mr. Hardy at the North, Office-holding in Pauls Church-yard, shall have a Guinea Reward.

On Thursday the 2d and Friday the 3d Instant will be sold by Auction at Mr. Towersons House near the Crown Tavern over-against St. Clements Church, Yard, Strand, variety of rich Goods, viz. Jewels, Japan Goods of all sorts, Artificial Flowers of Silks Work, and Italian Fans, beginning exactly at 4 after Noon, and continues till 8 at Night. Catalogues may be had at the Place of Sale, and the Goods viewed on Thursday and Friday before the Sale begins. Note, there is a very good Room for the Entertainment of the Ladies.

Whereas the Honourable Col. Ventris Colchins is selling the Accounts of his Regiment with his late Regt. Mr. William Maddox. This is to give notice, That if any Officers of the said Colonel's Regiment in Lancashire or elsewhere are unpaid from the 24th of April 1696, to the last of Decr. 1696 inclusive, they will with all speed send an Account thereof to the said Colonel's Lodgings at the Flower-Por in Maiden-lane, Covent-Garden, that due care may be taken to furnish them.

Nic. Masly, Clockmaker, lately living in Cranburn-street near Leicester-fields, being deceased, his Widow has all sorts of Clocks, and Gold and Silver Watches, ready made, to be disposed of at a reasonable Rate, all of them being very good Work. There is also several very good Pictures to be sold.

Lost or mislaid a Note for 50 l. dated Apr. 4. 98, payable to Mr. Cha. Pleydell, under the Hand of Nat. Burgess for Mr. Jo. Coggs and Cha. Holloway. Whoever brings the Note to Mr. Cha. Pleydell, Apothecary in Norfolk-street in the Strand, shall have a Guinea Reward, and if offered to any Goldsmith they are desired to stop it.

At the Auction-House in St. Albans-street, on Monday the 6th Instant, will be exposed to Sale the Collection of Mr. Edward Davis's Pictures, deceased, beginning at 10 in the morning, and continues till the whole be sold; and that the House will be to be Let, either Furnished or Unfurnished.

Lost on the 25th past from Mr. William Boswell of *Mont-kirby* Parish in Warwickshire, a brown bay Gelding about 3 years old, very lean, pretty wide large Ears, some white Hairs in the Forehead, above 14 hands, large Limbs, with long Hair on the Legs, and a sprig Tail. Whoever secures him, and gives notice to the aforesaid Mr. Boswell; or to Mr. Main, a Tallow-Chandler at *Smithfield-Bars*, shall have 20 s. and Charges.

Lost the 15th past from Mr. Harwood at *Sir George Whitmors*, one roan Gelding about 14 hands, with a W. clipped on the near Bittock, M. L. branded on the off Hip, a bob Tail; a brown Muzzle, has had a Sore on his near Foot before, and another behind his Saddle; also a lusty black brown Gelding, above 15 hands, with a large Star, a brown Muzzle, a Whisk Tail, a W. clipt on his near Buttock, both Cart Horses. Whoever gives notice of them to Mr. W. Moore at the Kings-Arms-Yard in Whitecross-street at *Cripplegate*, London, or at Mr. Harwood's aforesaid, shall have a Guinea Reward for each, and reasonable Charges.