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Falmouth, Mart. 24.

THe 18th instant arrived here several ships from Falmouth, and other parts of England bound for several Ports of France, which put to sea again the 20th with a fair wind. The same day came in the *Friendship* of London laden with Wines from the Canaries, having been by foul weather driven up *St. Georges* Channell as far as *Milford*, from whence she made this Port in company with several Vessels bound from *Wales* for *Topsham* and *Plymouth*.

Plymouth, Mart. 26. On Wednesday last sailed hence the *Portland* Frigate and the *Roe Buck* for the Downs. This day His Highness the Prince of *Tuscany* went hence on his way towards *London*.

Bristol, Mart. 27. Here are lately come in above 10 sail of Merchant ships, whereof the *Phoenix* of this place from *Rochelle*, two ships from *Majorca*, one from the *Canaries*, one from *Hambourgh*, the rest from *Amsterdam*, *Ireland*, and some from *Scotland*.

Venice, Mart. 23. Our late Letters from *Candia* serve to confirm the news of the Turks attempts upon the departure of the French volunteers, with their small success and great loss of men, only adding that the Enemy having suffered much by their frequent sallies made upon them from the Town, and by the many *Granados* and Mortars which fell amongst them in their Boats to their great damage and loss of men, endeavoured by their watchfulness to prevent the one, and by well covering their Hatts to secure themselves against the other, but in both failed of their purpose; the Town being well reinforced with able men frequently by their sallies beating them from their posts, and the *Granados* falling in upon them, tearing in pieces their coverings, and firing amongst them with great execution.

Letters of a later date than the former from the *Levant* tell us, that the Grand Visier being very sensible of his great loss of men and how much his Army has been of late tired out by continual service and hard duty, in the several posts wherein he had placed them, with little advantage in his Sieges, was resolved to manage the work with greater husbandry, and for his security had changed his own Quarters, removing towards the *River Giofira*, from whence he gave his dispatches and necessary Orders to the rest of the Camp, and had held frequent Councils with the principal *Ballas* and Officers of his Army, whether it were not convenient to quit their posts before the *Sabian* and *St. Andre*, and to try their fortunes upon the *Fotis*, *Martinego* and the *Panegy*.

Our Captain General by Admiral of our Armada *Andrusini*, has lately landed at *Candia* 2000 stout men from *Zante* with 1700 Barrels of powder, and a large quantity of provisions and Ammunition, since where a Squadron of 10 ships are ordered to cruise about the sea towards *Sapientza*, to obstruct the passage of such Turkish succors as are designed to be sent from *Morea* and to attend the motion of some *Barbery* ships which are employed to convey Men and Provisions to *Candia* for the relief of the Ottoman Army. Two other Squadrons are plying in the *Archipelago*, and another about *Scio* and the *Dardanelles*, about 40 of our Fleet being at sea upon this service besides some numbers of Christian Frigates, who have made considerable advantages upon the Turks.

The three Regiments of the *Lunenburghers*, consisting of 2500 stout men and well disciplin'd are now shipped

and if the wind serve, may sail within three or four days, they are full of courage and much satisfy'd with their reception here, the publick having been pleased to encourage them by giving Gold chains to their Officer, and a Donative of a Ducat apiece to the Soldiers. Two thousand able soldiers are shortly expected from *Germany* lately raised by some of the Princes of the Empire, which when arrived may be Commanded also by General *Walbeck*. The 6. b Horse which are leaving in *Terra Firma*; will in little time be ready: 400 more are ordered to be raised at *Corfu* and the Islands.

Dantzick, March 23. Our last Letters from *Warsaw* advise us, that a new Ambassador was there arrived from *Mosco*, to sollicite the States for the election of the young Prince of *Moscovy* to succeed in the Crown of *Poland*; assuring them of his compliance in point of Religion, he being inclinable and ready to embrace that of *Rome*, and promising great advantages to the Kingdom of *Poland*.

The Protestants are severely dealt with in *Mazouza*, all those who will not abjure their Religion, being commanded upon pain of death and confiscation of their Estates, immediately to depart the Country.

The 9th instant they presented a Petition to the Bishop of *Pozna*, with much earnestness begging his favour, that for the mercies of God they might have a convenient time allowed them for the settling of their Estates and furnishing themselves with moneys to defray their expences during their banishment; urging that a years time was allowed the *Arrians* for the same, but the Bishop was pleased to answer them, that they might find money from God; but in this matter he could show them none; for being the Head of the Church, he was obliged to defend it.

The Lord Chancellor *Leiford* much opposed their violent proceedings against a peaceable and quiet people, but was by them minded, that he was by his Charge to be a Preserver of the Law, and a Protector rather than an Infringer of the Churches Priviledges; but that in this affair he chose rather to favour the Hereticks than the Church.

Divers of these distressed Protestants offered their Persons and Estates to the said Chancelors protection, but he professing his inability to preserve them, advised them rather to submit to the necessity of the times, and to recede till the Election, whereupon the 13th instant with much sadness and many wants they departed for *Louisy*.

We are farther advised, that a Turkish *Balia* is arrived in *Merania*, where in the name of the Grand Signior he takes the Homage of all those *Cossacks* who are willing to put themselves under his protection. That the Great Duke of *Moscovy* intends in person to march towards *Kiev* with an Army of Eighty thousand men; and that the *Polsish* Army are upon the point of entering into a new Confederation, the better to secure themselves of the payment of their arrears.

Hambourgh, April 2. The 30th past, *New Sile*, the Earl of *Carlisle*, Ambassador from His Majesty of *Great Britain*, passed from *Lubeck* intending for *Pravemund* from whence he designed the same night to put to sea for *Copenhaghen* and from thence with all convenient speed to hasten away for *Stockholme*.

Sir *Peter Wycke* has been two dayes cruelly treated by Count *Wrangel* the Swedish Field-Heer at *Wolgast*, from whence he is departing with all diligence for *Moscow*. Count *Wrangel* is suddenly expected here with several other foreign Ministers.