

lies is lately departed hence with Order to fit up his Squadron, and 'tis believed he may be employ'd in the service for the assistance of the Venetians, being an able soldier and good seaman of which he has given sufficient proof on many occasions.

*Vienna, April 6.* The Empetours forces are according to their Orders marching into *Hungary* to secure those parts against any designs the Turks may have upon them, and to preserve the peace of the Kingdom, and keep the people under their ancient Government, several Arts having been lately used to alienate them from their obedience, inasmuch as some of them have been perswaded to seek for the protection of the Turks, and to avoid all farther disputes, and compose those already risen amongst the persons of several persuasions and Interests, His Imperial Majesty has ordered the Count de *Roth*, with his principal Secretary of State of *Hungary* to hear and determine all such controversies.

The Levies granted to the Pope for the relief of *Candia* are well advanced, we have some apprehensions of disturbances in *Hungary*, especially since the report so much spread abroad that the Turks intend to dispossess Prince *Michael Abassi* of his principality, and that they continue in their design after they have taken a view of their forces in *Hungary* to march them through a part of the Christian Territories into *Dalmatia*.

The Count de *Schafgotz* is fitting up his Train and making extraordinary preparations for his Embassage into *Poland*, to be present at the General Diet and the Election of their new King, his Instructions being now forming and may in few days be perfected.

Yesterday arrived here a Courier from the Court of *Spain*, who was some time since sent thither with the news of the safe delivery of the Empress, bringing with him the Queen Regens Compliments, and a Present for the young Princess of a Jewel to the value of 30 thousand Rixdollars.

*Venice, April 6.* Here is now ready in this Port a Convoy of many ships laden with all sorts of Provisions and Ammunition, whereas are also embarked many Soldiers, Gunners, Chirurgens, and Labourers to be employed at the Works and Mines, which may set sail with the first fair wind for the Levant.

On Saturday last an able Senator was chosen to command it, *Signior Piero Djedo*, a person formerly employ'd in the Levant, as Captain of the ships in the Armata, and at the same time the Noble *Gjgoma Cornero* was also chosen *Proveditor* General of the Armata.

By several Letters from the Levant we are informed, that the Grand Segnior who still continues at *Larissa* having been often pressed by the Visier for a strong succour, without which he was not able to give that account of the siege of *Candia* as might be expected from him, had commanded the *Bash* of *Morea* to take care that all the forces which he had drawn together in those parts might be speedily embarked and transported into the Kingdom of *Candia* in obedience whateunto, he had pressed many Saichs at *Lepanto*, which took aboard them the said Militia with the provisions necessary for the supply of the Visier, and put to sea under the protection of several Galeots, intending for *Canea*, but had not made many Leagues as yet, when a great storm surprizing them, dispersed the Convoy, of which 5 Saichs and 4 Galeots were known to be overset or cast away, nor had they any account of the rest.

They farther say, that the Visier being in hopes of a speedy reinforcement, continued his Works and Mines with all imaginable diligence, in which his people receive frequent disturbances from the besieged, and by countermines and Sillies are much lessened in their numbers and courage, and that they have lately begun to raise about the Monastery *di Santo Spirito* near the Bulwark *St. Andre* a high Mount or Platform, upon which they intend to plant many Great Guns, and by their constant plying them upon the Town to disturb the besieged in their new Works, which they are raising within the Old, that the Turks might there find an opportunity when by their Mines they shall have

ruined and gained, or made unserviceable the other.

They farther continue to us the news, that the Segnior *Moro* Captain of the Fleet had lately taken several small ships upon the Turks, which were laden with Good, Cloaths and Men intended for *Canea*: and that by a Mine lately sprung by the besieged near the Bulwark *St. Andre*, they had blown up many Turks with their Ladders into the Air, and left a great Terror amongst the rest.

The Brunswick forces 'tis believed may be by this well advanced on their voyage, though for six days after their putting out to sea they met with contrary winds, which for that time detained them.

*Paris, April 17.* Letters from *Smirna* arriving here by the way of *Marseilles* advise us, that the *Sieur de la Hay*, our Ambassador lately at *Constantinople* was departed thence, and instead of returning homewards went to attend the Grand Segnior at *Larissa*, where he was received at the Court with all the honour and respect which he could desire from him, with a promise of full satisfaction to all his just complaints, for encouragement whereof he has distributed large Presents amongst the principal persons of the Court, at his Audience the Grand Segnior is said to have Treated him with Excellency, and given him several marks of esteem, professing his desire to entertain a good correspondency with His most Christian Majesty, and that he has done his endeavour to take away all occasions of a breach with *France*.

*Monsieur de Louvois* is designed presently after *Easter* to be sent into the New Conquests to take an exact view of all the Citadels and Fortifications there, which are altering and repairing with great diligence and a vast expence, wher his Majesty is lately dispatched an able Engineer, with 3 or 400 Masons to be employ'd about the Works.

The Premier President having complained to His Majesty that his late Edict is too severe upon the Parliaments intraking away their priviledges, His Majesty has sent *Monsieur de Tellier* to discourse the point with him, who accordingly had a conference of three hours together upon that Subject, and 'tis said the Parliaments are making their Remonstrances to His Majesty to avoid the severity of that Edict.

*Hague, April 18.* Yesterday the States of *Holland* adjourned themselves till the 7th of the next Month, having not after many conferences concluded any thing with the Deputies from *Zealand*, in the mean time the said Deputies continue their Negotiations with the Commissioners appointed for that purpose, in which they spend much time.

Other Commissioners are nominated and appointed to confer with the Baron *d' Halder*, Envoye from the Prince of *Liege* about his pretensions to the *Castle de la Rochete* in the Countrey on the other side the *Meuse*. 'Tis said the States are resolved to write to the Count de *Beaumont* to perswade him to admit of a Reconciliation with his Wife, to whom at present they allow an honourable Pension for support of her self and Children.

*London, April 14.* His Majesty having been graciously pleased to Grant to the Truly Loyal and Necessitous Officers, residing within the Bills of Mortality, who have served Him, and His Royall Father of blessed Memory, with great Fidelity and Integrity in the worst of Times, One or more Plate Lotteries, to be Employed and Exercised within all parts of His Majesties Kingdom of England, Dominion of Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweede; was pleased, for the Encouragement thereof, with His Royall Highness, and divers of the Nobility, to be personally present on Monday last, at the Grand Plate Lottery, which by His Majesties Command was then Opened, at the Sign of the Maiden over against the Mewes.