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At the Court at Hampton-Court, May 9. 1700.

PRESENT,

The King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS John Harding of Canterbury, with a Party of divers other Persons unknown, in the Night of the 12th of March last, were carrying Horse-loads of Combed Wool towards the Sea-side to be Transported, and were met near a Place called Tunford-Bridge in the County of Kent by one of His Majesty's Riding-Officers of the Customs with his Assistants, who endeavouring to seize the said Wool and Horses as the Law directs, and the Persons so carrying the Wool making Resistance, the said Harding was Shot and Murdered by one of his own Party. His Majesty having received Information thereof, by a Presentation from the Commissioners of the Customs, this day Read at the Board, and being desirous to Detect the same, and Deter the like Evil Practices for the future, His Majesty is graciously pleas'd to Promise a Pardou to any one of the Offenders, who shall Discover and Apprehend any Three or more of the Parties concerned in the said Murder, so as they be brought to due Punishment; And for a further Encouragement, such Offender shall also have and receive as a Reward the Sum of One hundred Pounds; for the Payment whereof, the Rt. Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury are to give the Necessary Directions accordingly. And it is further Ordered, That Notice be given in the Gazette of His Majesty's Pleasure herein.

John Povey.

Cadiz, April 26. The French Squadron of Men of War, which have continued some time in these Parts, cruising against the Moors of Sally, are sail'd home, and 'tis said another Squadron will shortly come hither from France. The Spanish Men of War designed to carry Supplies of Men and Ammunition to Carthagena, are still in this Port, and the time of their departure is uncertain. A Spanish Ship of 50 Guns will sail from hence in 8 or 10 days for Vera Cruz. The Winchester and Dunwich are at present in this Port, and several other English Men of War are cruising off this Place.

Rome, April 27. The Pope continues his Resolution of going shortly to Port Anzo, as well for the Benefit of the Air, as to see the new Works made there by his order. The Cardinal de Bouillon, Cardinal Janssen, and the Prince of Monaco Ambassador from France, went this week to Nettuno. Signior Aquaviva, Nuncio from the Pope to the King of Spain, began his Journey to Madrid on the 25th Instant; and Signior Pignatelli, the Pope's Nuncio to Poland, set out this day on his Journey to Warsaw. Signior Caraccioli, Governor of the Mark of Ancona, whom the Pope lately made Choice of to be his Nuncio to the Court of France, will be going thither in few days. The Count de Marciniz, Ambassador from the Emperor, left this Place on the 25th Instant, and is returned to Vienna, without being able to obtain an Audience of the Pope, who is very much dissatisfied with his Conduct during the time of his Residence at this Court; the Count de Lamberg, his Successor, accompanied him several Miles out of Town. Cardinal Caintelini, who of late

looked upon to be the Pope's chief Favourite, is gone from hence to his Arch-Bishoprick of Naples.

Milan, May 5. The Prince of Vaudemont, our Governor, has lately given Orders for paying to the Swiss Cantons the Sum of 36000 Livres, part of the Money due to them from the King of Spain, on account of the Swiss Forces he entertained in his Service during the late War. The Count Pirro Visconti has received from his Catholic Majesty, a Grant of the Dignity of a Grandee of Spain for himself and his Heirs for ever. The King has also given him the Office of Commissary General of this State, with Power to dispose of it for two Lives. The King has made Count Carlo Archinto, Nephew to Cardinal Archinto the Arch-Bishop of this Place, a Knight of the Golden-Fleece.

Venice, May 7. On St. Mark's day, the Doge and the Senate in a Body, with the Foreign Ministers, went with the usual Solemnity to St. Mark's Church, and in the evening there were Masquerading, Illuminations, and other Rejoicings. Signior Andrea Soranzo being chosen a Procurator of St. Mark, made his Publick Entry last week in the usual manner. There is a Discourse, that the Senate intend to make Castelnovo in Dalmatia a free Port for all Nations, which 'tis thought will draw a considerable Trade thither. Our last Advices from thence say, the Venetian and Turkish Commissioners for settling the Limits would renew their Conferences in few days.

Leghorn, May 9. The Great Duke of Tuscany, who is now with the Court at Pisa, intends to go shortly to Rome, and his Gallies are ordered to be in a readiness to carry him and his Retinue from hence to Civita-Vecchia. The Differences between his Highness and the Republick of Genoua, on account of their respective Limits, have been adjusted by the Mediation of the Duke of Parma.

Warsaw, May 1. The Meeting of the Senate of this Kingdom is appointed for the 10th of this Month, where 'twill be debated, Whether the Republick shall engage in a War against Sweden; To which, the Primate and most of the Senators appear not at all inclined. The King seems resolved however, not to quit his Enterprize against Riga, and Orders are sent to Saxony for the marching of eight Regiments from thence to Livonia; Prince Ferdinand of Courland, Administrator of that Dutchy during the Minority of the Duke his Nephew, has engaged to join the Saxons before Riga with two Regiments, and is to Command at the Siege in the Quality of Lieutenant-General. 'Tis said, the King intends about the middle of this Month to take a Journey to Lithuania. Our Letters from thence say, the Quarrels between the Houses of Sapieha and Oginsky are increased to that height, that General Sapieha was lately at Wilda assaulted by a Party of Oginsky's Men, who fired into his Coach, and a Musquet Bullet grazed along the General's Coat, but did him no harm, but two Gentlemen that were with him were wounded; upon which, General Sapieha immediately mounted on Horseback, and at the Head of his Guards beat back those who had attacked him. He has sent Deputies to the King to complain of this Violence.

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