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Rome, Jan. 22. N. S.

THE Pope is very much pressed by the Emperor's Ambassador on one side, and by Cardinal Janssen (who now manages at this Court the Affairs of France) and the Spanish Ambassador on the other, about granting the Investiture of the Kingdom of Naples, which gives him much uneasiness, being unwilling to disoblige either of these Powers. The Imperial Ambassador, in an Audience he had the 20th Instant, delivered a Letter from the Emperor in Answer to the Brief lately sent by the Pope, for offering his Mediation to adjust Matters between the Emperor and the Crowns of France and Spain, wherein his Imperial Majesty commends the Pope's Zeal for preserving the Peace of Italy, but withal acquaints him, that he thinks himself obliged to assert his Right by force of Arms, and hopes the Justice of his Cause will be supported by the Divine Assistance. At Count Lamberg's late departure from hence for Venice, &c. with a Commission from the Emperor, the Pope desired he would inform him of the Sentiments of the several Princes of Italy, whom he was to call upon, concerning the present Juncture of Affairs, and particularly in relation to the French Forces in the Milanese. The Duke of Modena has sent a Message to the Cardinal d'Estrees, to desire he will not give himself the trouble of coming to him at this time, seeing he (the Duke) is under an obligation of adhering to the Emperor's Interests. The Duke of Mantua has sent to the Pope, to desire his Advice and Assistance in this difficult Conjunction, being sollicit-ed with great earnestness, both by the Emperor and France, to admit their Forces into his Territories. A Congregation of State was held two days ago, to consider of the Proposals made by some Princes of Italy, to enter into a Defensive Alliance for their mutual Preservation, but we do not hear they came to any Resolution. Cardinal d'Arquin intends shortly to go from hence to France.

Milan, Jan. 19. The Prince of Vaudemont has received an Express from the Regents of Spain, who approve of what he has hitherto done in the Administration of this Government, and direct him for the future to do every thing with the Advice and Consent of the French Minister here; They have also added to his Highness's Commission, the Direction of the Affairs of Naples and Sicily, and the Vice-Roys of those Kingdoms have Orders to obey him. The Count de Tisse and the Marquis de les Balbaces are returned hither from visiting the Frontiers of this State, of which they have given an Account to the Prince of Vaudemont; They viewed the Passes in the Country of Brescia belonging to the Republick of Venice, and 'tis said, the Count de Tisse went in company with an Engineer as far as Roveredo and the Country of Tirol. The Cardinal d'Estrees is expected here, after he has finished his Negotiation with the Republick of Venice, the Great Duke of Tuscany, and other Princes of Italy. The Duke of Modena has declared for the Emperor, and 'tis said he has given the Fortress of Borsel on the Po for a Place of Arms to the Germans. Don Francisco

Calmenera, and Don Baldassar Amenzaga, are gone from hence to Final, to make Provision for the French Forces designed for this Place, which are to come by Sea from Antibes.

Genova, Jan. 22. Three Gallies of the Duke of Tursis's Squadron are arrived in this Port, having brought several Companies of Soldiers from Naples, which they landed at Final. A considerable Body of French Forces is shortly expected here by Sea from Antibes, to reinforce those that are already in the Milanese.

Venice, Feb. 4. Cardinal Lamberg, having executed the Commission he came hither upon, departed the 31st past, in order to return to Vienna. The Cardinal d'Estrees is still here. This Republick continue to raise Forces, and are much concerned at the coming of the French Troops into the Milanese; And the Letters from thence say, the People are very uneasy in being obliged to provide Quarters for them. Capitan-General Cornaro arrived here the 26th Instant with 3 Venetian Gallies from the Levant; And 3 Ships of War with Soldiers are daily expected from thence. Letters from Rome of the 29th say, Cardinal Janssen had recommended the Sieur Albergotti, an Italian Officer in the French Service, to be General of the Pope's Forces, but he excused it, and deligns to employ the Marquis of Massini in that Quality.

Warsaw, Jan. 28. The Senate of Poland have taken the following Resolutions upon the four Points referred to their Consideration: 1. That the General Diet shall be put off till September next, seeing 'twould not be convenient they should meet, till the Troubles in Lithuania be composed. 2. That the King of Poland be desired to employ his Royal Authority for that purpose, and to go thither in Person, since his Presence may be of great use to effect an Accommodation. 3. That it be left to the next General Diet, to consider how far the erecting of the new Kingdom of Prussia may concern the Republick and Crown of Poland, and of the Means to prevent any Prejudice that may arise thereby; and that in the mean time the Sieur d'Obiasusky shall be sent with the Character of Envoy from the King of Poland, to Compliment the new King. And, 4. That the Queen-Dowager of Poland shall be gratified in her Desire, to continue some time longer at Rome. The King having approved these Resolutions, the Senate separated the 22d Instant, and the King intends very soon to begin his Journey to Lithuania. Monsieur du Haron, the French Envoy, continues his Endeavours to engage the King of Poland in the Interest of France, but has received no Answer to his Satisfaction, this Court being rather enclined to the Emperor.

Vienna, Jan. 29. The Imperial Forces designed for Italy, are ordered to begin their March on the 10th of the next Month. 280000 Dollars are sent to Inspruck, to be employed for their Subsistence; And strict Orders are given, that they pay ready Money for what is furnished them by the Country People. 'Tis said at Court, that Prince Lewis of Baden is to command the Imperial Forces on the Rhine, and that several Princes of the Empire will put considerable Bodies of Troops into the Emperor's Service. The Deputies from the Swissers are returning home very well satisfied, and the Emperor is sending to them the Count de Trausmanzberg in quality of his Envoy Extraordinary. Count Oetting, late Ambassador from the Emperor to the Grand Signior, arrived here this day from Turkey; He made a Publick Entry into this City, and had Audience of the Emperor and Emperess, and of the King and Queen of the Romanes.