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Rome, May 7. N. S.

**T**HE Venetian Ambassador was twice in Conference this week with Cardinal Paolucci Secretary of State, and had yesterday a long Audience of the Pope. Cardinal Jansen had Audience likewise of the Pope, and acquainted him, That unless he put a strong Garrison into Ferrara to secure that Place against the Imperialists, the French will be obliged to do it. The Congregation appointed to examine the Pretensions of the Emperor and the King of Spain to the Investiture of Naples and Sicily have met several times, and 'tis believed they will shortly make their Report. The Pope made a Visit this week to the Queen-Dowager of Poland.

**Genoa, May 7.** A French Ship arrived here 3 days ago with Soldiers from Toulon, who are come ashore, and marched towards Milan. The Master reports, that more Forces are coming from Toulon, and that 24 Men of War are fitting out in that Port, and 12 Gallies at Marsilles.

**Venice, May 13.** The Cardinal d'Estrees left this Place the 7th Instant, in order to go to Parma, Modena, and Florence, and from thence will return hither. The Count de Castelbarco, Envoy from the Emperor to the Duke of Mantua, arrived here the same day from Mantua, having left that Place without taking Leave of the Duke, with whose Proceedings, in receiving a French Garrison into Mantua, the Emperor is extremely dissatisfied. The Senate are considering how to raise Money to support their extraordinary Expenses in this Conjunction. We have Advice, That part of the French Forces have marched through the Territories of this State, and encamped at Rivelli, having the Lake d'Garò behind them, where the Marshal de Carinat designs to expect the Imperialists, and has secured the Passes with Retrenchments and Batteries, and that the rest of the French and Spanish Forces are marching to the said Camp, as are likewise those of the Duke of Savoy. 'Tis said, the French and Spanish Soldiers do not agree very well together. Provveditore-General Moirino, who has the chief Command of the Venetian Forces in Italy, is forming a Flying Camp near Verona.

**Madrid, May 5.** On the 27th past the King of Spain was entertained with a Bull-Feast at the Burg Reiros. The 3d Instant, the Alliance with the Duke of Savoy was declared in the Council of State, by which 'tis agreed, That the King of Spain shall marry the Princess Mary Louisa Daughter of his Royal Highness, who is now in the 13th year of her Age; and that the Duke shall be Generalissimo of the French and Spanish Forces in Italy, to which he is to join 8000 Foot and 2500 Horse of his own Troops. On Sunday the 8th Instant, the King will take the usual Oath in the Church of the Monastery of St. Jerom for maintaining the Rights and Privileges of this

Kingdom, and afterwards will receive the Oaths of Allegiance of the Grandees, the Nobility, and the Deputies of the several Cities, who have a Right to vote in the Cortes or General Assembly of the States. The Marquis of Leganez is gone from hence to his Command on the Coasts of Andalusia. The Duke of Harcourt, Ambassador from France, continues extrem ill. The Duke of Beauvilliers is made a Grandee of the First Rank, and 'tis said the King will make him one of his Counsellors of State.

**Vienna, May 11.** Mr. Stepney, Envoy Extraordinary from His Majesty of Great-Britain, arrived here the 1st Instant, and on the 5th had Audience of the Emperor; The 6th, the Imperial Court removed to Luxembourg; and on the 9th he had Audience of the Empress. The Emperor held that day a Council at Luxembourg, at which Prince Eugene of Savoy was present, and 'twas resolved to pursue the War in Italy with the utmost Vigour. The Imperial Army in those Parts will consist of 32000 Men, of the Emperor's best Troops, viz. The Regiments of Corbelli, Commerci, Lorraine, Vaudemont, Neuburg, Darmstadt, Palfi, Tuff, and Visconti, of Horse; Savoy, Serini, and Dutrichstein, of Dragoons; all of 1000 Men each; And Old Saremberg, Mansfield, Guido Saremberg, Nigrelli, Herberstein, Bagni, Guttenstein, and Young Thaur, of Foot, each of 2500 Men. The General Officers are, Prince Eugene of Savoy Generalissimo, the Prince de Cameracq Field-Marshal General, Prince Charles of Vaudemont General of the Horse, Count Guido of Saremberg General of the Foot; Count Palfi, and Count Hermonstein, Lieutenant-Generals; and the Counts Serini, Dietrichstein, Bagni, and Solms; Major-Generals. The Prince of Vaudemont set out from hence for Italy the 9th Instant, and the Prince of Cameracq the next day; and Prince Eugene of Savoy will be dispatched in the beginning of the next week. The Count de Soissons, Brother to Prince Eugene, is declared General of the Artillery; but 'tis yet uncertain whether he will serve in Italy or in the Empire. The Advices from Italy say, the French, who have a Jealousie of the Venetians, being inclined to the Emperor's Interest, attempted to surprize Verona; but the Venetian Garrison were so well on their Guard, that they failed in their Design. A Courier was dispatched from the Imperial Court the 9th Instant to Livonia, with a Letter from the Emperor to the King of Sweden, wherein he presses him very earnestly to accommodate Matters with the King of Poland, and offers his Mediation for that purpose; and his Imperial Majesty has writ to the King of Poland to the same effect. The 4th Instant, Montieur Jessen, the King of Denmark's Minister here, received of the Emperor the Investiture of the Fiefs of the Empire which the King his Master is possessed of as Duke of Holstein. The Regiment of Dragoons of Corcelli is marched to Luxembourg to reinforce the Emperor's Guards, and